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## News



### Take a dive at Jackson's Hillcrest Pool

The summer pool season is in full swing at the Hillcrest Pool in Jackson. [Read more](#)



### Land Bank completes first blighted structure demolitions

The Village of Oak Hill and the City of Wellston have both had at least one blighted structure demolition, while the City of Jackson had tw... [Read more](#)

### Former state trooper pleads guilty to cyberstalking

COLUMBUS, Ohio — William P. Elschlager, 49, of Marietta, Ohio, pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court today to cyberstalking. [Read more](#)

## **Times-Journal updating subscription renewal notices**

In order to better serve our valued subscribers, The Jackson County Times-Journal is updating its subscription renewal process. [Read more](#)

## **Heat Advisory issued for Jackson County**

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Heat Advisory for Jackson County. This advisory remains in effect from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. ... [Read more](#)

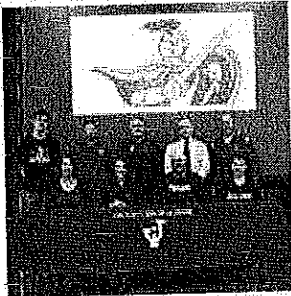
## **Camp Courage bereavement camp held Saturday, June 15 at Canter's Cave**

Holzer Hospital hosted a Children's Bereavement Camp, known as Camp Courage, on Friday, June 15 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Canter's Cave. [Read more](#)

## **Woman passenger dies in Beaver Pike crash**

An afternoon crash on Beaver Pike in Liberty Township has ended the life of a young woman. [Read more](#)

## **Sports**



## Hammond headed to Heidelberg

Raylene Hammond, as a Jackson Ironlady, had herself a rather prestigious softball career. [Read more](#)

## Community



## Red Hat Ladies enjoy luncheon meeting at the Oak Hill Senior Center

The Red Hat Razzle Dazzle Ladies met at the Oak Hill Senior Citizen building for their May 24 monthly meeting. [Read more](#)

## Community Events, June 19 - 23, 2018

Tues., June 19 [Read more](#)



## Do you fear change?

I gaze at the clock on my office wall. It is time for my next client, Mr. Pie. As usual, he rolls in, plops into the overstuffed chair and ... [Read more](#)

## **Columbia Gas to upgrade gas lines in Jackson**

Columbia Gas of Ohio is investing nearly \$1 million for a gas line replacement project in Jackson. Work will begin in June, affecting about... [Read more](#)

## **Hoover named to Ohio Northern University Dean's List**

Kerrigan Hoover, of Jackson was named to the Dean's List for spring semester 2017-18 at Ohio Northern University. To be eligible for the De... [Read more](#)

## **A DAY in the WOODS – 2nd Friday Series program set for July 13**

McARTHUR— One of the first steps to improving your woodland is to learn the species of trees that grow there. With dozens of tree species ... [Read more](#)

## **American Red Cross looking to secure new office location**

PORTSMOUTH— After ten years of being located at 1801 Robinson Avenue, the Ohio River Valley Red Cross is searching for a new home. Jeff Smi... [Read more](#)



## **Todd Snider to perform at Stuart's Opera House**

Stuart's Opera House in Nelsonville hosts singer, songwriter, and storyteller Todd Snider on Friday, June 22 at 8 p.m. Matt McCormack will ... [Read more](#)



## Summer reading program kicks off at the Oak Hill Public Library with Joe-Joe the clown

Joe-Joe the clown made his appearance June 11 at 1 p.m. to kick off summer reading. Fifty-four kids attended the free program along with se... [Read more](#)

## Construction Update for week ending June 23, 2018

Upcoming ODOT work this week [Read more](#)



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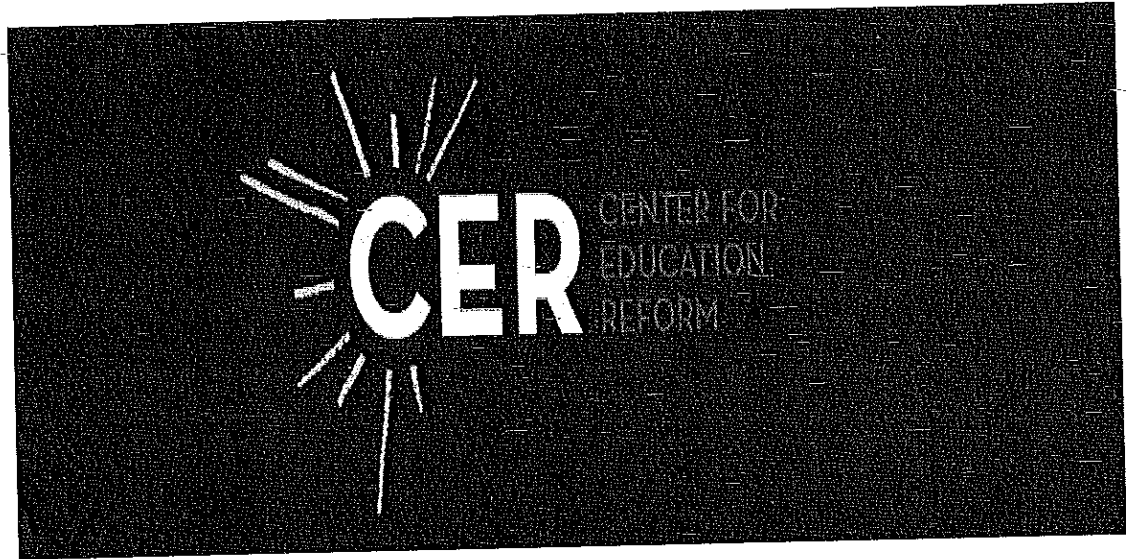
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A weekly report on education news and commentary you won't find anywhere else — from the nation's leading voice on education innovation and opportunity.

**COUNTDOWN TO CER'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY SUMMIT...** it may seem early, but October will be here before you know it, so make your plans now to join CER on October 25-26 in Miami for its Silver Anniversary Summit & Celebration *"The Road to Innovation for ONE America."* One of the features of the gathering will be our honoring of some of the pioneers of the education reform movement who will be on hand for the event, including Tommy Thompson. As Wisconsin's governor (from 1987-2001) Thompson was one of first high-profile champions of education reform pushing for the creation of the country's first parental school-choice program, which provided Milwaukee families with a voucher to send children to the private or public school of their

choice. He did other great things as governor, too (e.g. welfare reform), and went on to build a remarkable career of public service, including a stint as Secretary of Health and Human Services under George W. Bush, but he'll always be tops in our book for his commitment to, and success in, achieving substantive education reform.

**MEANWHILE BACK AT THE RANCH...** Last Sunday night NBC News aired a charter school story that argues charters are increasingly geared to support "white flight." If the claims weren't so outlandish and unfounded, it would be laughable. The producer, who was incredibly open to receiving information countering these allegations, based his report on an analysis performed by the Hechinger Report. In one of the documents CER supplied, we demonstrated Hechinger's bias against charter schools, as well as the folly of the argument. [Read more...](#)

**A DOUBLE DOSE OF REALITY...** This week Jeanne Allen interviewed [Erica Komisar](#), author of "Being There: Why Prioritizing Motherhood in the First Three Years Matters." Based on more than two decades of clinical work and breakthrough neurobiological research on caregiving, attachment and brain development, her book challenges established concepts (and myths) of infant resiliency, 'having it all' and even the definition of feminism. One thing this book is not about is quitting your job. "It's not about working vs. not working – it's really a book about more is more." Also on Reality Check, an attorney for Mark Janus from the [Liberty Justice Center](#) shares his thoughts on the likely outcome of the high court's pending decision.

Find the podcasts at [edreform.com/realitycheck](http://edreform.com/realitycheck) and on [National Review](#).

**WHEN IT RAINS IT POURS...** Just as the AFT and NEA are bracing for the ruling from SCOTUS in the Janus v. AFSCME case, [teachers in New York state have filed a class-action suit](#) claiming (correctly, we might add) that they are being illegally forced to cough up union dues even if they're not union members. This is in response to NY's new law, signed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo



last April, mandating that all teachers pay a New York State United Teachers "agency fee" regardless of their membership status. Supporters say all teachers benefit from pay hikes and perks secured by the union and should subsidize those efforts. In a suit filed Thursday the two teachers who brought the case say (correctly, we might add) that they oppose "NYSUT's political advocacy and collective bargaining activities" and shouldn't have to fund them. Yep.

### **In Other News...**

**MORE THAN REASONABLE...** The Reason Foundation has put out a great piece on school funding. Although titled "Five Recommendations to Solve LAUSD's Looming Fiscal Crisis" its applicable, in parts or in whole, to school funding crises around the country and is worth the read.

**SUNSHINE STATE SUCCESS...** Former Florida Senate Education Chairman, John Legg, recently summed up Florida's great, new K-12 scholarship program. "... [it] is conceptually reminiscent of the free tutoring programs developed by bipartisan education advocates under the federal No Child Left Behind Act. This scholarship is driven by the educational principle that children must learn to read so they can then read to learn." Notably the program doesn't try to simply thread more money into district elementary reading budgets but instead provides a reading scholarship, which gives parents the decision on how to spend it. And why is that a better approach, Legg was asked: "The parent is the most influential person in the child's life."

**A PROGRESSIVE POINT OF VIEW...** Also of note this week, a passionate op-ed on educational opportunity for all, titled "Progressive, affluent parents who send their kids to good= schools shouldn't deny others that right." An excerpt: "Simply put, I'm a progressive. So it troubles me deeply to hear self-styled progressives attack educational options that other parents choose for their children. Worse, these attacks on the educational choices that lower-income parents and parents of children with special needs make almost always

come from progressives of higher means. We have a recommendation for that: Check your privilege. I support educational choice for all. Educational options have existed for the wealthy for as long as anyone can remember. What's controversial is when we suggest that those same options should be open to everyone." Amen.

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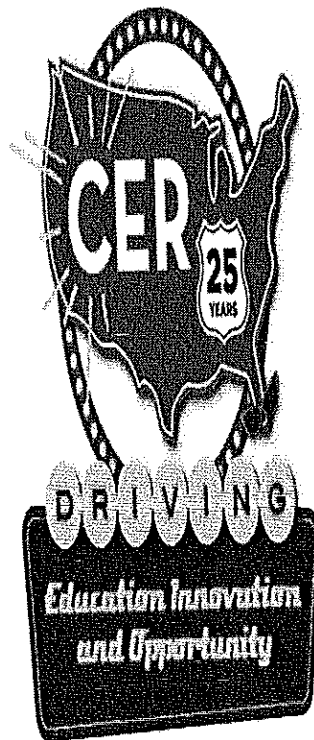
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**Americans for Prosperity – Ohio SUPPORTS Sub. S.B. 4**

June 19, 2018

Members of the Ohio House of Representatives:

On behalf of tens of thousands of activists across the state of Ohio, I write urging you to vote 'YES' on Substitute Senate Bill 4, which will partially expunge the criminal records of individuals who incurred those records while victims of human trafficking. Enacting this legislation will provide them with a very real opportunity to move forward with their lives,

and our organization actively promotes the elimination of precisely these types of external barriers to economic freedom and personal fulfillment.

**We urge you to vote 'YES' on Sub. S.B. 4. Americans for Prosperity – Ohio will include your vote in our legislative scorecard.**

This bill will provide second chances to individuals who continue to face obstacles and burdens as a collateral consequence of having committed crimes that they had little to no choice in committing. Victims of human trafficking face coercion, threats, violence, and all manner of abuse from their captors and traffickers.

Lawmakers have the opportunity to act on popular, bipartisan, and common sense criminal justice reform in this session. This piece of legislation will help to restore victims of human trafficking by giving them the chance to move on from these senseless and misleading records, which only add insult to the injury of being trafficked. By allowing certain crimes to be expunged from the criminal records of victims of human trafficking, this legislation will allow survivors to move past the criminal activity that they were forced to commit and get a second chance in society, hopefully in a mutually beneficial manner.

Americans for Prosperity – Ohio applauds the bipartisan group of lawmakers that voted to advance this bill out of committee.

**Please consider voting 'YES' tomorrow on Sub. S.B. 4.**

Best Regards,



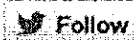
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Wednesday, June 20, 2018



## TOP NEWS

### **Former Top Attys, State AGs Condemn Family Separations**

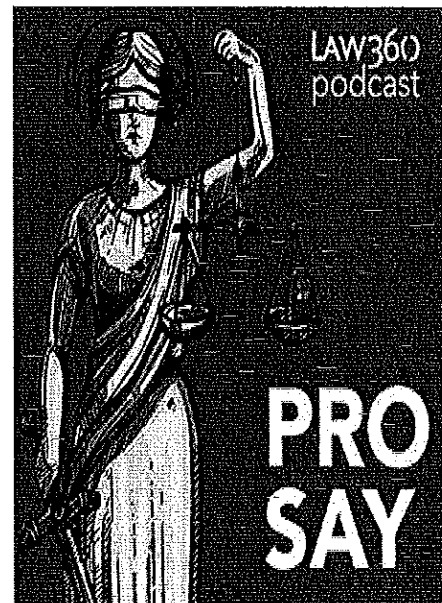
A flood of condemnation over the Trump administration's new "zero tolerance" immigration policy that's left nearly 2,000 children separated from their parents at the border poured in on Monday and Tuesday from former U.S. attorneys and state attorneys general who called for an end to the "cruel and illegal attack" on immigrant families. [Read more »](#)

### **Senate To Mull Bills To End Immigrant Family Separation**

Senators have started to spin up their efforts to end the White House's policy of separating undocumented immigrant parents from their children at the U.S. border Tuesday, even as partisan divides have quickly started to open up in the talks. [Read more »](#)

### **Trump Backs House Immigration Reform Bills**

President Donald Trump told Republican representatives at a meeting Tuesday evening that he would support immigration reform legislation, but the lawmakers were still left questioning how they would move forward on



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an immigration compromise reached last week. [Read more »](#)

Feature

### **\$716B Senate Defense Bill Sets Up Clash With White House**

The U.S. Senate's nearly \$716 billion version of the 2019 National Defense Authorization Act sets up several future fights, both with the White House over a clause to reinstate sanctions against Chinese technology company ZTE and with the House of Representatives over differences in philosophy — and funding. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

### **High Court's Vitamin C Ruling Leaves Work For Lower Courts**

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in an antitrust case over Chinese vitamin C exports that U.S. courts are not bound by another country's description of its own laws, but the justices only provided a few hints about how much weight to give competing evidence about what a foreign law requires, leaving trial courts to parse the deference due in future cases. [Read more »](#)

Feature

### **Meet The Judge Who Will Decide The ACA's Fate**

The Texas federal judge presiding over the latest legal assault on the Affordable Care Act has a BigLaw background, Capitol Hill connections, deep roots in the Lone Star State and a judicial track record that could send ACA supporters reaching for bottles of Xanax. [Read more »](#)

## **BANKING & SECURITIES**

### **Ambac Opens 1st Circ. Fight Over Puerto Rico Bond Diversion**

Ambac Assurance Corp. on Monday launched its opening arguments in an appeal over the diversion of highway bond revenues in Puerto Rico stemming from a ruling in the territory's

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Dorsey & Whitney  
Ferraiuolo LLC  
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Jones Day  
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Kramer Levin  
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McDermott Will  
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Morgan Lewis  
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Proskauer Rose  
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Simpson Thacher

bankruptcy-type cases, saying the underlying acts by the island's government violated the Constitution. [Read more »](#)

## ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

### Interview

#### **FERC Chair Pledges To Uphold Markets Amid Trump Bailouts**

Preserving the viability of regional wholesale electricity markets will be a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission priority in the face of a Trump administration plan to prop up struggling coal and nuclear power plants, FERC Chairman Kevin McIntyre told Law360 in an exclusive interview. [Read more »](#)

#### **White House Mulling Big NEPA Changes**

The Trump administration said Tuesday it was considering major changes in how the nation's cornerstone environmental law is implemented with an eye toward streamlining permitting processes, prompting howls of criticism from green groups. [Read more »](#)

#### **DC Circ. Rules DOI Needn't Update Coal Lease Enviro Study**

The D.C. Circuit on Tuesday held that the U.S. Department of the Interior does not have a legal obligation to reexamine the environmental impacts of its coal leasing program in order to account for climate change, in a blow for green groups that sought to force the agency's hand. [Read more »](#)

#### **Spain Ordered To Pay €112M Over Renewable Energy Reforms**

Spain must pay more than €112 million to units of the European private equity firm Antin Infrastructure Partners for revoking certain economic incentives for renewable energy producers, marking another loss in arbitration for the country over the measures, a source

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Center for Biological Diversity Inc.  
Center on Budget and Policy Priorities  
Cigna Corporation  
Columbia Sportswear Company  
Deutsche Telekom AG  
Dollar Tree Inc.  
Dominion Energy Inc.  
Electronic Privacy Information Center  
Epic Systems Corp.  
Ernst & Young  
Facebook  
GAZ Group  
Gazprom  
Google Inc.  
Huawei Technologies  
Independence Blue Cross Inc.  
Intel Corporation

with knowledge of the award told Law360 on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

### **LA County's Land-Use Plan Gets Past Enviro Group Objection**

A California appeals court on Tuesday upheld Los Angeles County's approval of a 1,800-acre land use plan, rejecting a green group's argument that an additional environmental assessment was warranted because the plan relied on an outdated information. [Read more »](#)

## **IP & TECHNOLOGY**

### **DC Circ. Backs Boehringer In FTC Atty-Client Privilege Row**

The D.C. Circuit refused to overturn a ruling that communications subpoenaed from Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals Inc. during a Federal Trade Commission pay-for-delay investigation are covered by attorney-client privilege, saying Tuesday one of their main purposes was to get legal advice. [Read more »](#)

## **MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT**

### **SPLC Apologizes, Pays \$3.4M For Labeling Org. 'Extremist'**

The Southern Poverty Law Center has agreed to pay nearly \$3.4 million to Islamic think tank Quilliam Foundation and its founder, Maajid Nawaz, and issued a public apology to them after labeling them as "anti-Muslim extremists" in a publication, the organizations announced on Monday. [Read more »](#)

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **DOL Blesses ACA-Skirting Association Health Plans**

The U.S. Department of Labor published its long-anticipated final rule on association health plans on Tuesday, relaxing the requirements for small businesses to band together to create

International Centre for Settlement  
of Investment Disputes

JPMorgan Chase & Co.

Kindred Healthcare Inc.

LinkedIn Corp.

Major Lindsey & Africa

Microsoft Corporation

National Basketball Players  
Association

Natural Resources Defense  
Council

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PNC Financial Services Group Inc.

Precision Castparts Corp.

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Safeco

Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.

SoftBank Group Corp.

Southern Poverty Law Center

T-Mobile USA Inc.

Tribune Media Co.

Twitter Inc.

U.S. Bancorp

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

Washington Post Co.

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## **GOVERNMENT AGENCIES**

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in the United States

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Defense Health Agency

health care plans that skirt certain Affordable Care Act requirements, in a move that drew sharp criticism from Democrats and cheers from Republicans. [Read more »](#)

### **Rutgers Whistleblower Row Revived Over Judge's Silence**

A New Jersey state appeals court on Tuesday revived a whistleblower suit against Rutgers University from an ex-employee alleging he was fired in retaliation for his objecting to the school's procurement methods, saying a trial court failed to spell out its reasons for dismissing the case and denying a bid to extend discovery. [Read more »](#)

## **COMPETITION**

### **EU Antitrust Chief Sees Global Progress Curbing State Aid**

The European Union's top competition enforcer touted progress Tuesday in getting countries outside the EU to avoid picking economic winners and losers through "harmful subsidies," part of her efforts to take the bloc's state aid rules global. [Read more »](#)

## **CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY**

### **Facebook App Creator Backs Data Privacy Regulation Efforts**

U.S. Senate lawmakers and cybersecurity experts, including the creator of the app that allowed Cambridge Analytica to harvest millions of unwitting Facebook users' data, on Tuesday agreed that online companies need more formal data collection and sharing rules, although some balked at the suggestion that regulation should hew too closely to the European Union's current framework. [Read more »](#)

## **CONSUMER PROTECTION**

### **Dems Ask CFPB Pick To Describe Her Role In Border Policy**

Defense Logistics Agency  
Department of Commerce  
European Commission  
European Union  
Executive Office of the President  
Federal Aviation Administration  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Federal Communications Commission  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
Federal Trade Commission  
Food and Drug Administration  
Government Accountability Office  
Internal Revenue Service  
NATO  
National Labor Relations Board  
Office of Foreign Assets Control  
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative  
Oregon Department of Revenue  
Pennsylvania Supreme Court  
Securities and Exchange Commission  
Texas Supreme Court  
U.S. Agency for International Development  
U.S. Air Force  
U.S. Attorney's Office  
U.S. Department of Defense  
U.S. Department of Energy  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
U.S. Department of Justice  
U.S. Department of Labor  
U.S. Department of State  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Department of the Treasury

Two top Democrats on the Senate Banking Committee want to know whether a White House budget official who's been picked to lead the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau had any hand in a Trump administration policy that's resulted in the separation of more than 2,000 children from their parents at the U.S.-Mexico border since May. [Read more »](#)

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World Trade Organization

## PRODUCT LIABILITY

### **Opioid Research Rules Tweaked In Bills Passed By House**

The U.S. House of Representatives on Tuesday passed a series of bills changing federal policy on research and approvals for opioids, as part of a broader package of measures aimed at addressing the nation's addiction crisis. [Read more »](#)

## AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

### **Ex-Senate Staffer Seeks To Gag Trump Over 'Leaker' Remark**

A former Senate Intelligence Committee aide asked a Washington, D.C., federal judge for a gag order on President Donald Trump on Tuesday, saying the jury pool is likely to be tainted by comments like one Trump made calling him a "leaker." [Read more »](#)

### **DOJ Watchdog Reviewing Russia Probe For FBI Bias**

U.S. Department of Justice Inspector General Michael Horowitz told members of Congress on Tuesday that his office is investigating whether an FBI agent's negative views of then-candidate Donald Trump played a role in the decision to open an investigation into the Trump campaign's contacts with Russia. [Read more »](#)

### **DC Circ. Grounds Battle Over Privacy In FAA Drone Rules**

The D.C. Circuit tossed a petition by the Electronic Privacy Information Center on Tuesday that sought to review small drone rules promulgated by the Federal Aviation Administration, finding the nonprofit lacked standing to mount a challenge over the exclusion of privacy safeguards. [Read more »](#)

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE

### **Norway Hits US With WTO Complaint Over Metal Tariffs**

Norway has hit back against President Donald Trump's steel and aluminum tariffs and filed a complaint with the World Trade Organization claiming that the duties violate global trade agreements, the WTO said Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

### **Trump Admin. Has No Plan For China Talks After Tariff Push**

The Trump administration has no imminent plans to hold new negotiations with China to resolve the two countries' escalating intellectual property and tariff fight, White House trade adviser Peter Navarro said Tuesday, adding that fruitless recent meetings with the Chinese side have shown that "talk is cheap." [Read more »](#)

## TAX

### **Pension Tax Ballot Measure Not Deceiving, Fla. Panel Says**

A Florida state appeals court has refused to invalidate a 2016 Jacksonville vote that established a half-penny surtax to fund the city's pension liability, finding the measure's title and summary weren't crafted in a misleading manner. [Read more »](#)

## IMMIGRATION

### **2 Sens. Oppose Trump's State Dept. Refugee Office Pick**

Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Chris Coons, D-Del., on Tuesday penned a letter to U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo opposing President Donald Trump's pick to head an office within the U.S. Department of State dealing with refugees and migrants, arguing that the nominee's anti-immigrant writings make him unfit for the position. [Read more »](#)

### **NY Plans Suit Over Family Separations At Border**

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said Tuesday that he and several Empire State government agencies plan to sue President Donald Trump's administration alleging constitutional rights violations for the migrant children pouring into federal shelters in the state. [Read more »](#)

### **USCIS Expects Delays In Finalizing EB-5 Rule Changes**

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services does not anticipate taking final action on a set of proposed modifications to the controversial EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program before authorization for its regional centers expires in late September, Director L. Francis Cissna told the Senate Judiciary Committee on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

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### **Sprint, T-Mobile Officially Ask FCC Permission To Merge**

T-Mobile and Sprint have asked the Federal Communications Commission for permission to combine forces, according to merger documents posted Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

### **Gov't Control Has Stifled Spectrum Use, Think Tank Says**

Regulation of spectrum has curbed its potential productivity at a time when consumers and the country rely upon fast, ubiquitous wireless internet more than ever, according to a new

report by a free-market think tank. Read more »

## PEOPLE

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### **Ex-NBA Union Atty Joins DC AG As Senior Litigation Counsel**

A former general counsel of the National Basketball Players Association who helped ink a \$70 billion collective bargaining agreement for the union has joined the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia as senior counsel for litigation. Read more »

## Q&A

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### Q&A

### **A Chat With Holland & Knight CFO Mia Stutzman**

In this monthly series, legal recruiters at Major Lindsey & Africa interview management from top law firms about navigating an increasingly competitive business environment. Here we feature Mia Stutzman, chief financial officer at Holland & Knight LLP. Read more »

## EXPERT ANALYSIS

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### **New Frontier Of US Health Info Regulation Comes From EU**

While the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Civil Rights has been quiet recently with respect to Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act enforcement actions, the newly empowered EU data protection authorities will be eager to flex their muscles and show that the General Data Protection Regulation's extraterritorial reach is not only real, but that noncompliance can be painful, say Nancy Libin and David Saunders of Jenner & Block LLP. Read more »

### **New Licenses Ease Ukraine, Russia Business Wind-Downs**

The U.S. Department of Treasury Office of Foreign Assets Control continues its effort to



allow U.S. persons to wind down operations or existing contracts that would otherwise violate Ukraine- and Russia-related sanctions. Even though OFAC has issued general licenses for this purpose, U.S. persons may need to obtain specific licenses to fully divest their interests, say attorneys with Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP. [Read more »](#)

Series

### **FLSA Turns 80: A Closer Look At Conditional Cert. Standard**

While the adoption of the two-stage standard for collective action certification may have been born of good intention, its current interpretation strains judicial resources and forces settlement regardless of the merits of Fair Labor Standards Act litigation, say Sari Alamuddin and Allison Powers of Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

### **Oregon Should Reinstate Its Tax Haven Law**

Repeal of the Oregon tax haven provision was an unwarranted giveaway to profitable multinational corporations that are exploiting foreign tax havens to shift profits earned in Oregon beyond the tax reach of the state. The law should be reinstated, says Michael Mazerov of the Council on Budget and Policy Priorities. [Read more »](#)

Rebuttal

### **Physician Observation Billing Concerns Are Unwarranted**

A recent Expert Analysis article titled "Challenges In Billing Physician Observation Services" needlessly raises concern among hospitals and physicians about proper billing by physicians for Medicare observation services, says Sheree Kanner of Hogan Lovells. [Read more »](#)

### **#MeToo At Law Firms And What We Can Do About It**

While some may say it's ironic, it's also embarrassing and enraging that the very industry that offers anti-harassment training, policies and counsel now finds itself the subject of #MeToo headlines. The American Bar Association recommendation that will bring about the greatest change is the call to provide alternative methods for reporting violations, says Beth Schroeder, chair of Raines Feldman LLP's labor and employment group. [Read more »](#)

## LEGAL INDUSTRY

### **Jones Day Sued Over Alleged Gender Bias, 'Fraternity Culture'**

A former Jones Day partner sued the firm in California court Tuesday for allegedly treating women as "second-class citizens," providing preferential treatment to men and firing her for speaking out against its alleged "fraternity culture." [Read more »](#)

#### **Analysis**

### **3 Takeaways From The Recent Round Of Associate Raises**

The recent race among law firms to raise salaries and bonuses for associates is likely to change the recruitment landscape for young lawyers and put further distance between an elite echelon of highly profitable firms that can attract the top talent and everyone else, but the upshot for clients is less clear. [Read more »](#)

### **Reed Smith And Greenberg Opt Out Of Associate Pay Raises**

As more law firms each day announce their decisions to raise associate pay to match new industry benchmarks set earlier this month by Milbank Tweed Hadley McCloy LLP and Cravath Swaine & Moore LLP, a few law firms have made it clear they plan to opt out. [Read more »](#)

### **2 More Law Firms Match Cravath's Associate Pay Raises**

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## KEY VOTE ALERT

**TO:** Members of the Ohio House of Representatives  
**FROM:** Don Boyd, Director, Labor and Legal Affairs  
**RE:** Upcoming Floor Vote on House Bill 494  
**DATE:** June 20, 2018

House Bill 494 would further clarify that the employees of a franchisee will not be considered employees of a franchisor for the purposes of Ohio Minimum Fair Wage Standards, Workers' Compensation, Unemployment Compensation, or Income Tax laws. This legislation is, in part, due to the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) decision in *Browning-Ferris Industries*, 362 NLRB No. 186 (2015), which upended 30 years of precedent and established an unworkable joint-employer standard that could have a devastating impact on the franchise business model. In *Browning-Ferris* the 2015 NLRB ruled that employers could be deemed joint employers simply by reserving control or exerting indirect control over the same workers. This eliminated the previously long-standing requirement that an employer **actually** exercise control rather than simply having a contractual right to do so. The board in the case also threw out the precedent that an employer must exercise direct, immediate, and not limited and routine control over an employee ruling that indirect control, such as through an intermediary, was sufficient to establish joint employment.

Thus, under the *Browning-Ferris* decision, simply having a contractual right to control could create joint-employment between two separate businesses. This is especially problematic for businesses utilizing the franchise model because both parties to the relationship could be deemed joint employers for purposes of unionization, collective bargaining, and defense of unfair labor practice allegations. If this interpretation is adopted in other areas, such as those state laws clarified by HB 494, it could threaten the autonomy of franchisees to act as independent business owners. Further, franchisors could face unfettered liability for the HR and other decisions of franchisees even when they do not exercise control over daily operations or employment decisions.

While state law cannot overturn the NLRB decision, HB 494 will prevent state agencies and regulators from extending the *Browning-Ferris* joint-employer standard when interpreting state laws here in Ohio. The legislation clarifies that the employees of a franchisee will not be considered the employees of a franchisor unless the franchisor expressly assumes that role in writing. HB 494 simply codifies what the parties to franchise agreements always knew the law to be.

**The Ohio Chamber of Commerce strongly supports HB 494 because we believe this legislation improves Ohio's legal climate while bringing stability and predictability to this area of the law.**

We urge you to vote yes to HB 494. **Please be aware that the vote on HB 494 will be reflected in the Ohio Chamber's General Assembly Voting Record.** If you have any questions about this bill or the Ohio Chamber's position, please contact me at (614) 228-4201 or [dboyd@ohiochamber.com](mailto:dboyd@ohiochamber.com).



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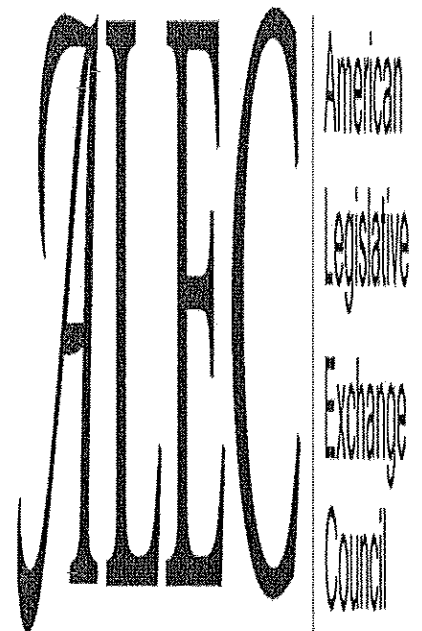
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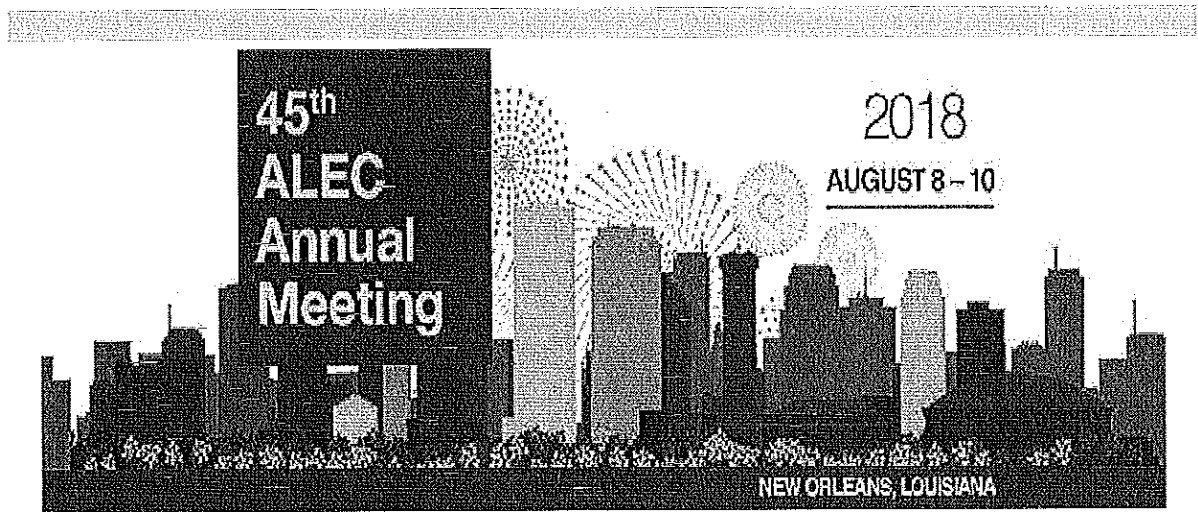
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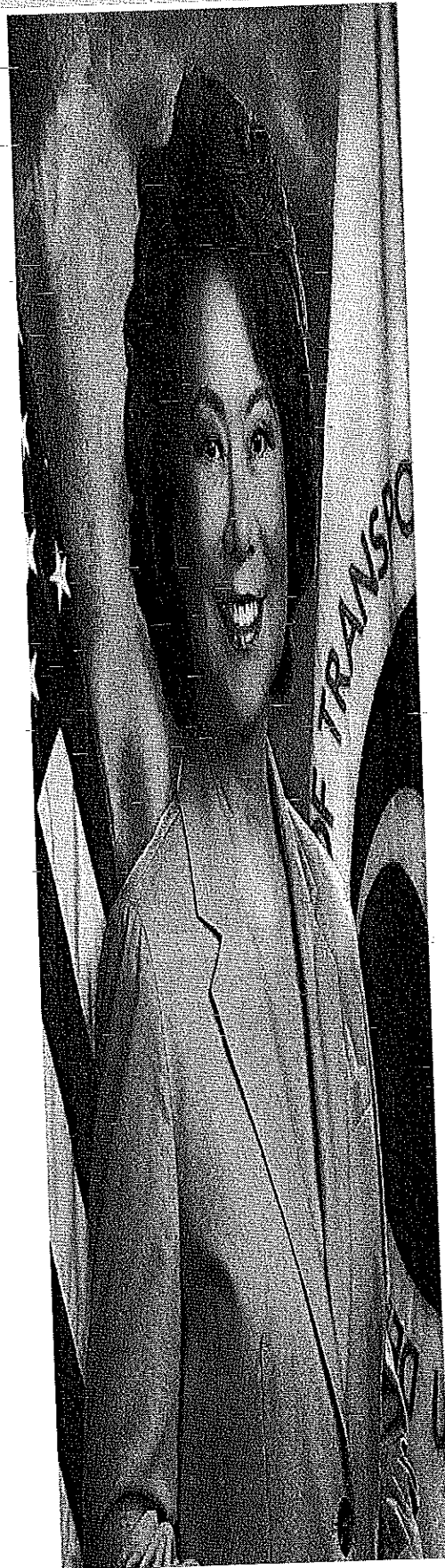


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## **Speaker Announcement!**

**Secretary Elaine L. Chao to Speak at Opening Session**



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**Americans for Prosperity – Ohio SUPPORTS Sub. S.B. 4**

June 19, 2018

Members of the Ohio House of Representatives:

On behalf of tens of thousands of activists across the state of Ohio, I write urging you to vote 'YES' on Substitute Senate Bill 4, which will partially expunge the criminal records of individuals who incurred those records while victims of human trafficking. Enacting this legislation will provide them with a very real opportunity to move forward with their lives, and our organization actively promotes the elimination of precisely these types of external barriers to economic freedom and personal fulfillment.

**We urge you to vote 'YES' on Sub. S.B. 4. Americans for Prosperity – Ohio will include your vote in our legislative scorecard.**

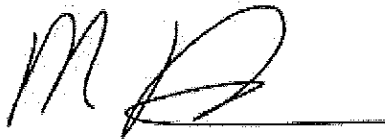
This bill will provide second chances to individuals who continue to face obstacles and burdens as a collateral consequence of having committed crimes that they had little to no choice in committing. Victims of human trafficking face coercion, threats, violence, and all manner of abuse from their captors and traffickers.

Lawmakers have the opportunity to act on popular, bipartisan, and common sense criminal justice reform in this session. This piece of legislation will help to restore victims of human trafficking by giving them the chance to move on from these senseless and misleading records, which only add insult to the injury of being trafficked. By allowing certain crimes to be expunged from the criminal records of victims of human trafficking, this legislation will allow survivors to move past the criminal activity that they were forced to commit and get a second chance in society, hopefully in a mutually beneficial manner.

Americans for Prosperity – Ohio applauds the bipartisan group of lawmakers that voted to advance this bill out of committee.

**Please consider voting 'YES' tomorrow on Sub. S.B. 4.**

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MD', followed by a horizontal line.

Micah Derry  
State Director  
Americans for Prosperity – Ohio

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### Trump Signs Order To Stop Immigrant Family Separations

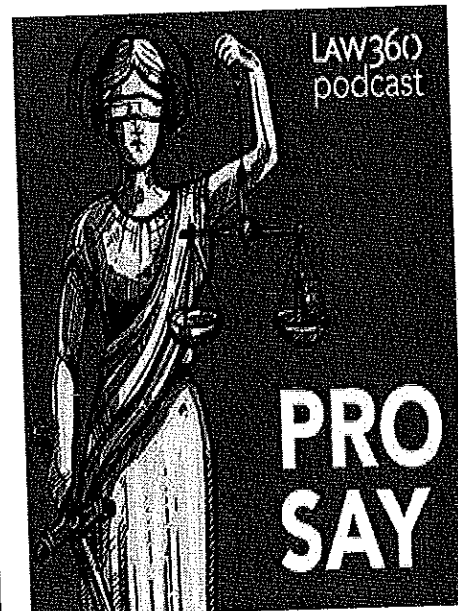
President Donald Trump signed an executive order Wednesday that takes a step toward ending the administration's practice of separating immigrants from their children in detention following broad public outcry, while doubling down on the administration's "zero-tolerance policy" of prosecuting all unauthorized border crossers. [Read more »](#)

### Ex-Jones Day Partner Tapped For US Atty In San Diego

A former partner at Jones Day who was shut out of a bid to become San Diego's U.S. attorney under the last Republican administration got the White House's nod for the job on Wednesday, as did three others in Colorado, New Orleans and Detroit. [Read more »](#)

### Judicial Nominees Talk Cocaine, Incest At Bizarre Hearing

At times echoing a law school classroom, the Senate Judiciary Committee on Wednesday probed judicial nominees for the Fourth Circuit and a Florida district court about the limits of government power, asking about the ability to



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Analysis

### **In The Courts, Battles For Immigrant Children Wage On**

The Trump administration's treatment of immigrant children has elicited widespread condemnation this week from all four living former first ladies, the United Nations' human rights chief, hundreds of religious leaders and even some Republicans — but legal challenges to its policies have long been underway. Read more »

### **Trump, Lawmakers Make Limited Progress On ZTE Deal**

Lawmakers said Wednesday they had made some progress toward a deal to lift sanctions imposed on Chinese telecommunications equipment maker ZTE Corp. after a meeting with President Donald Trump, the day after a bipartisan bill to protect the federal supply chain, prompted in part by ZTE, was introduced in the Senate. Read more »

Analysis

### **PTAB's Doors Would Be Closed To Generics Under Hatch Bill**

Proposed legislation by one of the architects of the Hatch-Waxman Act to require generics makers to choose between challenging drug patents under that law or through inter partes reviews would effectively bar generics from using America Invents Act proceedings, attorneys say. Read more »

## **LEGAL ETHICS & MALPRACTICE**

### **Ex-Pa. Lawmaker Loses Corruption Conviction Appeal Bid**

The Pennsylvania Supreme Court on Tuesday declined to hear an appeal from a former state representative pushing to dodge a conviction for using public funds on campaign-related technology purchases on grounds that

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prosecutors had destroyed potentially exculpatory evidence. Read more »

## ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

### **Atty Picked For EPA Office Will Recuse From Dow Cleanups**

The Dow Chemical Co. managing counsel selected by President Donald Trump to lead the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's emergency management office on Wednesday told senators he will recuse himself from issues surrounding nearly 200 Superfund sites his employer is involved in. Read more »

### **EPA Need Not Step In On W.Va. Pollution Limits: 4th Circ.**

In a loss for environmental groups, the Fourth Circuit held Wednesday that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency does not yet need to get involved in West Virginia's obligation to set certain pollution limits for hundreds of bodies of water in the state. Read more »

### **HHS Unveils Controversial Drinking Water Contaminant Study**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services released an eagerly anticipated study Wednesday that said there should be a much stricter standard for human exposure to two drinking water contaminants than what the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency established. Read more »

## INSURANCE

### **NY, Mass. AGs To Sue Over Association Health Plans Rule**

The attorneys general for New York and Massachusetts on Wednesday said they will sue the Trump administration over the U.S. Department of Labor's final rule on association health plans that they say will shrink "critical consumer health protections." Read more »

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## REAL ESTATE

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### **Missing Docs Mean Builder Must Follow New Reg: NJ Justices**

A New Jersey developer is not protected by a rule requiring a municipality to follow regulations in effect when an application is filed because the builder did not include all of the requisite documents in submitting its proposal, that state's Supreme Court said Wednesday in affirming a lower court ruling. [Read more »](#)

## EMPLOYMENT

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### **Restaurant Group Pushes NLRB On Joint Employer Issue**

The National Restaurant Association's legal arm has urged the National Labor Relations Board to adopt the trade group's proposed rule to clarify the joint employer doctrine, saying it supports the NLRB's recent efforts to engage in rulemaking rather than set policy based on precedent-setting decisions. [Read more »](#)

### **DC Voters OK Minimum Wage Hike For Tipped Workers**

Washington, D.C., voters on Tuesday approved a ballot initiative that incrementally raises the minimum wage for tipped workers until it reaches \$15 per hour, eliminating the ability of employers in the district to pay those workers below the minimum wage if tips cover the difference. [Read more »](#)

## COMPETITION

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### **Feature**

### **4 Noncompete Developments From 2018's First Half**

In the first half of 2018, judges have continued to rip up broad noncompete agreements, while the Trump administration has kept in place an Obama-era policy aiming to punish businesses that agree not to hire each other's workers. Here, Law360 looks at four recent developments in restrictive covenant law that

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attorneys should have on their radar. Read more »

### **New FTC Weighing Need To Alter Policies For Digital Economy**

The Federal Trade Commission's newly minted chairman, Joseph Simons, said Wednesday that the agency will conduct a series of hearings to help shape its policy approach to hot-button antitrust and consumer protection issues including privacy, big data and the potential for enforcement against large technology platforms. Read more »

## **CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY**

### **House Passes Bills On Opioid Patient Info Sharing, Treatment**

The U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday passed more bills aimed at tackling the nation's opioid crisis, including a measure allowing medical professionals to share information about patients with opioid use disorder and another providing more treatment options for addicted Medicaid recipients. Read more »

## **PERSONAL INJURY**

### **NJ County Loses Fee Bid In Fatal Construction Accident Row**

A New Jersey state appellate court ruled Wednesday that Middlesex County couldn't require a construction company and an engineering consultant to cover its legal expenses in a suit brought by the family of a worker who died after an accident at a bridge construction site. Read more »

## **GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS**

### **Senate Fails To Pass \$15B In Cuts To CHIP, Car Tech Funding**

The U.S. Senate voted down President Donald Trump's attempt to pull back \$15 billion in already authorized spending for the Children's

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Federal Communications Commission  
Federal Trade Commission  
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Health Insurance Program, car technology research and other areas Wednesday, as two key Republican senators joined Democrats to torpedo the proposal. Read more »

### **Jury Told Of Business Shakedowns By NY Senate Leader, Son**

Former New York state Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos and his son used the once-powerful politician's office to strong-arm businesses for illicit payments to the younger Skelos, prosecutors told a Manhattan federal jury Wednesday during opening arguments in the pair's corruption retrial. Read more »

### **CMS Eyes Broad Easing Of Stark Law Restrictions**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services on Wednesday expressed interest in widespread easing of Stark Law restrictions on physician referrals, asserting that relaxed standards will clear the way for coordinated care among different providers. Read more »

## **AEROSPACE & DEFENSE**

### **Sen. Grassley Wants Action On Wasteful Spending At DOD**

Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, raised concerns Tuesday about \$81.2 million in TRICARE overpayments by the Defense Health Agency and urged the nation's defense chief to focus on ending wasteful spending at the Pentagon. Read more »

## **INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

### **Sen. Wyden Presses Ross For Views On ZTE's Cyberthreat**

Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross evaded questions from Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., on the cybersecurity threats posed by ZTE Corp. on Wednesday as the lawmaker probed for answers about the Trump administration's decision to give the Chinese telecom giant a

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reprieve for its sanctions violations. [Read more »](#)

World Trade Organization

### **Sens. Tee Off On Ross For Trump's Aggressive Trade Moves**

Senators on both sides of the aisle on Wednesday laid waste to the Trump administration's flurry of trade enforcement moves over the last six months, demanding answers from U.S. Department of Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross about the direction of the White House's overall trade strategy. [Read more »](#)

### **EU To Hit US With Retaliatory Tariffs On Friday**

The European Union on Friday plans to implement retaliatory tariffs on €2.8 billion (\$3.2 billion) worth of U.S. products in retaliation for the Trump administration recently slapping double-digit tariffs on aluminum and steel products entering the United States from the continent's economic bloc, it announced Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

## **TAX**

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### **Analysis**

### **Failed Mass. Ballot Shows Fading Support For Millionaires' Tax**

A business coalition's successful challenge to a Massachusetts ballot initiative to establish a special tax on income above \$1 million highlights waning political support for such measures in the years since the Great Recession, when states attempted to use them to plug large budget holes. [Read more »](#)

### **Panel Grills DOJ Official On Seizures In Structuring Cases**

Members of the House Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee questioned a U.S. Justice Department official Wednesday over asset seizures in structuring cases referred by the Internal Revenue Service and asked why

the department had denied requests to have funds returned. [Read more »](#)

## IMMIGRATION

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### **House Set For Major Immigration Votes Thursday**

The U.S. House of Representatives is set to vote on a series of immigration bills Thursday, although the Republican-led legislation has drawn criticism from within GOP ranks and from Democrats. [Read more »](#)

### **Airlines Slam DHS Migrant Child Separation Policy**

Several U.S. airlines condemned the Trump administration's policy of separating migrant children from their parents at the border, saying Wednesday that they would not allow the government to use their flights to transport those children away from their families. [Read more »](#)

## NATIVE AMERICAN

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### **Tribe Can't Get Judge To Declare Federal Recognition**

The Chinook Indian Nation on Wednesday lost its bid for a Washington federal court to declare it a federally recognized tribe, with a judge saying the court can't go around the federal acknowledgment procedure without "a clear delegation of authority from Congress," but otherwise keeping the tribe's case against the government intact. [Read more »](#)

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS

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### **Calif. State Committee Tones Down Net Neutrality Bill**

In one swift move, a California State Assembly committee "gutted" a wide-ranging net neutrality bill Wednesday when it amended some of the legislation's strongest language, according to the bill's supporters. [Read more »](#)

## **FCC Nominee Starks Says He'll Focus On Telemedicine**

Geoffrey Starks, the next Democrat nominated to fill a Federal Communications Commission vacancy, emerged as an ardent supporter of internet subsidy programs and telemedicine initiatives Wednesday, testifying before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation that he takes the FCC's role in expanding broadband service seriously [Read more »](#)

## **Feds Stuck In The Past On Telecom, FCC's O'Rielly Says**

Federal Communications Commission member Michael O'Rielly blasted U.S. antitrust regulators' "outdated and misguided" view of telecommunications companies, saying Wednesday the successful repeal of net neutrality rules and the now-complete AT&T-Time Warner merger show the government is out of step with market realities. [Read more »](#)

## **Network Unbundling Will Hurt Smaller ISPs, Lawmakers Told**

Upstart broadband providers on Tuesday urged lawmakers to keep unbundling rules intact to ensure they have access to the networks of big legacy telecom companies, warning that without the measures, competition will suffer, prices will go up and innovation will drop. [Read more »](#)

## **EXPERT ANALYSIS**

### **Kaepernick Case Raises Arbitrator Subpoena Power Issues**

It has been widely reported that lawyers representing Colin Kaepernick in collective bargaining arbitration proceedings with the NFL may ask the arbitrator to compel President Donald Trump to appear for deposition. The case presents interesting issues about the power of an arbitrator to

compel testimony of a nonparty, say attorneys with White and Williams LLP. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

### **We Must Stop Separation Of Kids From Parents At US Border**

Each day, Americans learn more details about the horrors of the new federal policy of separating and detaining migrant children away from their parents. As mothers and attorneys, we have a particular revulsion to this policy and we will not let this unconscionable practice stand on our watch, say Tovah Kopan and Erin Albanese of Lawyer Moms of America. [Read more »](#)

### **Policy Is Changing For Technology Transfers**

The Trump administration and Congress are tightening investment restrictions and export controls to address technology transfer concerns. These measures initially focus on China, but will have broader effects on investments in the United States and transfers of emerging technologies, say attorneys with Baker McKenzie. [Read more »](#)

Series

### **FLSA Turns 80: Modern-Day Wage Theft**

The Fair Labor Standards Act fails to recognize that many of today's employees are in the best position to record their own working time. Of course, this raises questions about how an employer can commit "wage theft" when an employee is actively choosing not to follow instructions and not to record all hours worked, say Lee Schreter and Pierre-Joseph Noebes of Littler Mendelson PC. [Read more »](#)

### **Removing 'Control' From FINRA Quantitative Unsuitability**

The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority recently proposed to remove a broker's "control" of a securities account as an element that must be proven to demonstrate a "quantitative suitability" violation under Rule

2111. This proposal would return the suitability rules to their roots, says Thomas Potter of Burr & Forman LLP. [Read more »](#)

### **EU Begins Catching Up To US On Trade Secret Law**

The introduction of EU-wide minimum standards for the protection of trade secrets should be welcomed by U.S. businesses for two reasons, say Robert Williams and Will Smith of Bird & Bird LLP. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

### **US Trading Partners Defy The Rules They Claim To Support**

In March, President Donald Trump imposed tariffs on steel and aluminum imports pursuant to Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962. Subsequently, the European Union and certain other trading partners asserted that they could immediately retaliate — contradicting the World Trade Organization rules they claim to champion, say Alan Price and Robert DeFrancesco of Wiley Rein LLP. [Read more »](#)

## **LEGAL INDUSTRY**

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### **This Firm Is The Most Prestigious In The US, Associates Say**

One firm took the title of most prestigious law firm in the U.S. in the eyes of associates for the third year running, according to the results of a survey released Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

### **More Law Firms Follow Cravath's Lead On Associate Pay**

Munger Tolles & Olson LLP, Baker McKenzie, Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP and Brown Rudnick LLP have raised associate pay in the U.S. to match the new scale set by Cravath Swaine & Moore LLP last week, offering first-year associates a salary of \$190,000, according to internal memos that have become public. [Read more »](#)

## **New Slaughter, Freshfields Data Show 60% Gender Pay Gap**

U.K. law firms Slaughter and May and Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP have released revised data to a parliamentary committee revealing that on average female partners and employees make 60 percent less than their male counterparts, a significantly larger pay gap than statistics they previously provided without including their partners. [Read more »](#)

## **Ogletree's Bid To Transfer Sex Bias Row Stalled As Suit Grows**

A San Francisco federal judge held off on deciding whether to transfer a \$300 million gender discrimination suit against Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC to Orange County, California, saying Wednesday he'd let the proposed class amend its complaint to add equity shareholders, some of whom live in Northern California. [Read more »](#)

## **Rennert, Ex-Attys Move To Settle Row Over \$214M Verdict**

The Renco Group has reached a preliminary agreement to settle a case against its former attorneys, who it claims are to blame for an "inconsistent" jury verdict that cost the company and its billionaire owner Ira Rennert \$214 million in damages. [Read more »](#)

## **Ex-Dewey CFO Disbarred By Fraud Scheme Felony Conviction**

Former Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP chief financial officer Joel Sanders, convicted in Manhattan federal court last year on fraud and conspiracy charges, was disbarred Wednesday in New York. [Read more »](#)

## **Ill. Board Wants Convicted Judge Removed From Bench**

The Illinois board monitoring the conduct of the state's judges has filed a formal complaint seeking the removal of a Cook County, Illinois, judge convicted in a \$1.4 million mortgage

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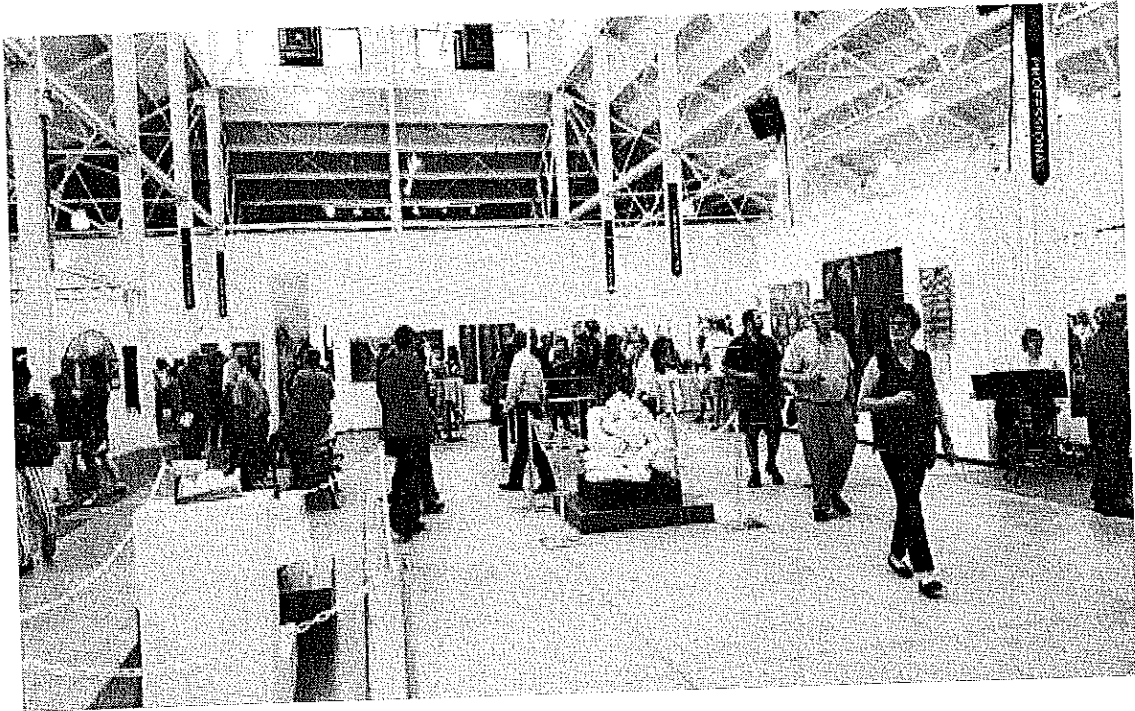
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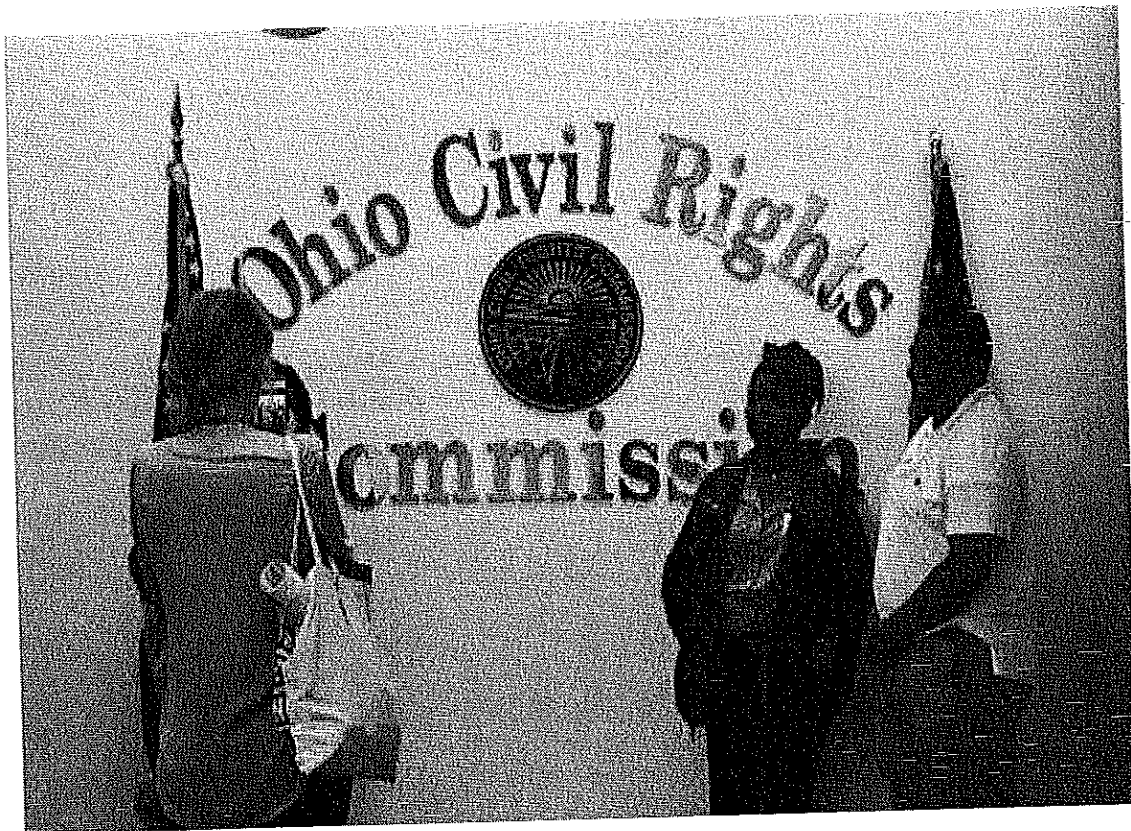




In this month's Message from the Executive Director, Donna S. Collins reflects on memories from the Ohio State Fair and celebrates the Ohio Arts Council's 20th year of involvement in the annual event.

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**STUDENTS EXPLORE SELF-EXPRESSION IN OHIO  
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## Millions May Soon Gain the Right to Work

The U.S. Supreme Court will soon release its ruling on the viability of public sector unions. In the landmark case *Janus v. American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees* (AFSCME), the court will determine whether forced union dues are an infringement of state and local government workers' rights to freedom of speech and association.

Proponents of "open shop" or "right-to-work" (RTW) laws are confident the court will overturn *Abood v. Detroit Board of Education* (DBE), a 1977 Supreme Court decision that upheld the right for public unions to collect "fair share" or "agency fees" from non-union employees. The plaintiff in *Janus v. AFSCME*, Mark Janus, is an Illinois state employee who argued agency fees are a violation of his First Amendment rights, especially given the inherent political nature of public sector collective bargaining.

Although it is illegal to compel union membership, non-union public workers in states without RTW must often fork over agency fees to unions. These fees are used to support union collective bargaining activities and contract enforcements. Currently, state laws mandate all union and non-union public employees are represented in the collective bargaining process by a democratically elected union, which becomes the exclusive bargaining representative.

Opponents of RTW laws argue workers who opt out of union membership should pay a fee, albeit one that is lower than union dues. Furthermore, RTW foes contend non-union employees receive the advantage of union-negotiated collective-bargaining agreements, such as high wages and top-tier benefits.

In a new *Research & Commentary*, Heartland Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans comments on the ramifications of a ruling in favor of Janus. "In anticipation of the upcoming ruling, many states have passed new laws, either strengthening unions or making it easier for state workers to opt out without penalties," Glans wrote.

Instead of imposing rules limiting workers' freedoms, Glans argues, "States can implement paycheck protection laws, and give workers control over their wages. States can also implement an opt-in standard for union participation, where a new worker has to choose to be in a union when they start a new job, instead of choosing to opt out. If ending the current opt-out standard is not possible, states can improve the process by requiring an opt-out only once per job or when a worker changes jobs, instead of having to wait until the end of a 12-month period."

Currently, 28 states have RTW laws, and a decision in favor of Janus should not deter the 22 other states from passing RTW laws. These laws govern all employees within the state, so both private- and public-sector workers are not obligated to pay union fees as a condition of employment. In the wake of *Janus v. AFSCME*, state legislators should pass "open shop" laws to secure the fundamental right to free speech and association for millions of workers and to grant workers sufficient notice and time to make an informed decision regarding union membership.

## What We're Working On

### Education

Funding Formula Committee Has Chance to Transform Public Education in Idaho

In this *Research & Commentary*, Policy Analyst Tim Benson examines how for the first time since 1994 Idaho's Public School Funding Formula Committee is considering dramatically altering the method the state uses to allot public school funding. To accommodate budgetary concerns and revolutionary shifts in the classroom, the committee will recommend changes that could be implemented in the 2019 legislative session. Benson argues the committee has an opportunity to fundamentally transform public education in Idaho by shifting the funding formula to a child-centric model, where funding follows students, not schools.

### Energy & Environment

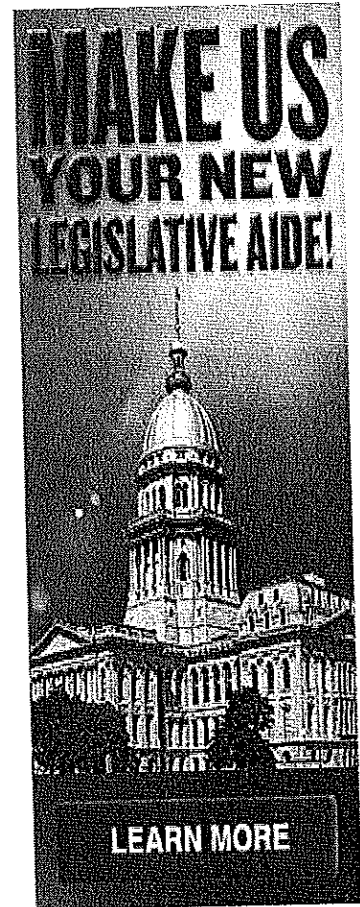
The Social Benefits of Fossil Fuels

This *Policy Brief* by Senior Fellows Joseph Bast and Peter Ferrara documents the many benefits from the historic and still ongoing use of fossil fuels. Fossil fuels are lifting billions of people out of poverty, reducing all the negative effects of poverty on human health, and vastly improving human well-being and safety by powering labor-saving and life-protecting technologies, such as air conditioning, modern medicine, and cars and trucks. Fossil fuels are also dramatically increasing the quantity of food humans produce and improving the reliability of the food supply, directly benefiting human health. Additionally, fossil fuel emissions are contributing to a "Greening of the Earth," benefiting all plants and wildlife.

### Budget & Tax

Increasing Vaping Tax Would Hurt New Jerseyans Trying to Quit

In this *Research & Commentary*, Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans and State Government Relations Manager Lindsey Stroud examine a new tax on vaping products now under consideration in New Jersey. "Imposing excise taxes on vapor products are not justified from a public health



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perspective, and it removes a prime economic incentive for smokers to improve their health by switching to e-cigarettes," wrote Glans and Stroud.

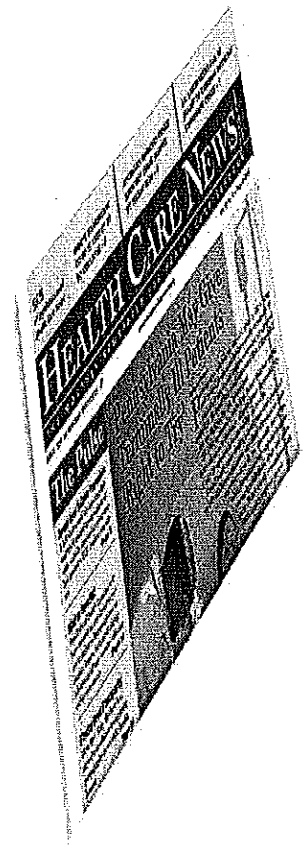
### **Health Care**

#### **Free To Choose Medicine in Japan: A Model for America**

In this Heartland *Policy Brief*, Research Director Edward Hudgins examines Japan's efforts to adopt a Free To Choose Medicine model for cutting-edge tissue based cures. Hudgins also explains why Japan's success should encourage lawmakers in the United States to adopt a similar model here. "The United States is the world's leader in medical innovations, but Japan has become the innovative world leader in creating a drug-approval process that quickly makes medical breakthroughs accessible to the patients who need them the most. American policymakers need to learn from the Japanese example to ensure U.S. medical innovators do not lose their competitive edge and that the goal of these innovations is achieved: preventing and curing illnesses," wrote Hudgins.

### **From Our Free-Market Friends**

**Illinois Lawmaker Proposes Making Chicago Its Own State**  
In this piece published by the Illinois Policy Institute, Joe Kaiser writes about Illinois state Rep. Reggie Phillips' proposal urging "Congress to take action to declare the City of Chicago the 51<sup>st</sup> state." The possibility of Chicago becoming a state was once proposed by state Rep. Bill Mitchell, in 2011. The previous effort proved to be unsuccessful and didn't gain much support, and this new proposal looks as though it will have the same fate, as it was not voted on prior to the end of the legislative session in May. Kaiser makes the argument that "politicians would be better served focusing on reforms to make the entire state competitive, which would eliminate the contention between Chicagoans and those in the rest of the state.



In the June issue of *Health Care News*, Zachary Williams reports on the Trump administration's new proposals to lower prescription drug prices. The proposals feature four pillars: improved competition, better negotiation, incentives for lower list prices, and

reducing out-of-pocket costs.

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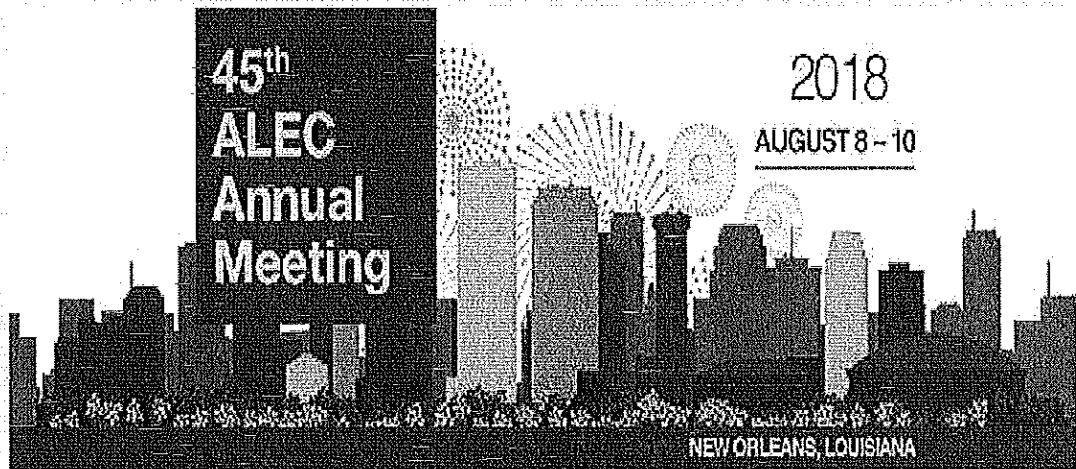
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### POLICY NEWS - FEDERAL

#### **FAA To Respond To NAC ATM Recommendations.**

Air Transport World (6/25, Carey) reports that the "FAA is expected to respond to recommendations of its NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC) to focus air traffic management (ATM) improvements in the US Northeast corridor and to provide enhanced surveillance service in oceanic airspace at the committee's forthcoming June 27 meeting." The meeting agenda "calls for the high-level industry-government group to approve 'Northeast Corridor Phase 2' recommendations to reduce airport congestion and improve flight operations."

### AVIATION

#### **Boeing Wins \$14.4 Billion In Orders Ahead Of Farnborough Airshow.**

Bloomberg News (6/25, Johnsson, Katz, Kotoky) reports that The Boeing Company "isn't waiting for next month's Farnborough International Airshow to unveil blockbuster aircraft deals," and is "poised to bolster its backlog" with two orders valued at \$14.4 billion announced Monday. Boeing's move breaks from an "industry practice of stockpiling sales for the biggest annual trade expo." A \$5.6 billion Bamboo Airways deal for 20 Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners and an \$8.8 billion Jet Airways deal for 75 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft "underscore the tilt of the aerospace market to Asia, where airlines are stocking up on aircraft to serve a rapidly expanding middle class." The orders also show "that Boeing has access to a wider market in the region beyond China, where it could become an easy target if trade tensions with the US escalate." Order prepayments are forecast to generate around \$5 billion in cash for Boeing this year, up from \$4.5 billion in 2017, according to a research note by Barclays analyst David Strauss.

**India's Jet Airways To Purchase 75 Boeing 737 MAX Jets In \$9.7 Billion Deal.** Reuters (6/25, Shah) reports that India's Jet Airways announced Monday that it has agreed to purchase 75 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft as the carrier "expands to meet domestic passenger demand in the world's fastest-growing aviation market." In a regulatory filing, Jet indicated that it has signed an agreement to purchase the jets, but "did not say whether the agreement was a formal order or a non-binding memorandum of understanding." The agreement is Jet's third "for Boeing's 737 MAX narrowbody jets over the last one year, taking the total to 225 aircraft." The airline signed a firm order for 75 aircraft in October and in April. At list prices, the new deal could be worth "as much as \$9.7 billion depending on which 737 MAX the airline chooses."

Bloomberg News (6/25, Katz, Kotoky) reports that Jet and its rivals are "expanding fleets as demand for domestic flights surges." SpiceJet has ordered "more than 200 single-aisle aircraft from Boeing," while IndiGo is the "biggest customer for Airbus SE's competing A320neo plane." Jet did not indicate which 737 variant it plans to acquire, but has "historically gone with the best-selling -8 model."

**Vietnam's Bamboo Airways To Purchase \$5.6 Billion In Boeing Jets.** Reuters (6/25, Banerjee) reports that The Boeing Company announced an agreement Monday to sell 20 widebody jets to Vietnam's Bamboo Airways in a deal valued at \$5.6 billion at list prices. As part of the deal, Bamboo "made a deposit in mid-June to reserve the 787-9 Dreamliners," with likely deliveries from April 2020 through 2021.

### **Australia To Purchase Six US Triton UAVs In \$5.1 Billion Deal.**

Reuters (6/25, Paul) reports that Australia has agreed to buy six US Triton UAVs in order to expand the country's maritime patrols, with an initial investment of \$1 billion for the first UAV. Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull announced the purchase on Tuesday. The Northrop Grumman-built Tritons will be used alongside Australian P-8A Poseidon aircraft "for long range operations and intelligence gathering, and would improve anti-submarine-warfare and marine strike capability." The contract will also cover facility upgrades and support, and Australia will work with the US Navy to "develop, produce and sustain the MQ-4C Triton." Deliveries will begin in mid-2023 and be completed by 2025.

### **Boeing Wins \$1.7 Billion South Korean P-8 Poseidon Contract.**

Reuters (6/25, Kim, Lee) reports that the South Korean military has chosen The Boeing Company to supply maritime patrol aircraft in a deal worth \$1.71 billion, according to a senior Boeing official. The South Korean Defense Acquisition Program Administration (DAPA) separately confirmed the decision to acquire the P-8 Poseidon in a US government foreign military sales purchase. DAPA spokesman Kang Hwan-seok "told a media briefing the decision was made after a comprehensive review of legal aspects, cost, schedule and performance." Airbus and Saab had also promoted their C295 MPA and Swordfish aircraft, but Boeing was awarded the sole-source contract. Boeing's Poseidon has been considered the "likely candidate" due to its features such as its "large payload and distance of flight more than clears South Korea's requirements," according to a military source with direct knowledge of the matter.

### **Thailand Introduces Elbit Hermes 450 UAV.**

Aviation International News (6/25, Chuanren, Pocock) reports that the Royal Thai Army has introduced the Elbit Hermes 450 UAV, becoming the "second Southeast Asian country after Singapore to operate" the UAV. The \$28 million sale consists of four H450 aircraft and a ground control station. According to Elbit Systems, the H450 has now performed "40,000 successful combat missions." Thales UK is separately marketing the "Watchkeeper UAS that it developed from the H450 for the British Army, in cooperation with Elbit."

### **China Hints At Additional Airbus Purchases.**

Reuters (6/25, Yao, Blanchard, Lough, Rose, Trompiz) reports that China told France on Monday that it will "buy more of its farm produce, hinted at future Airbus purchases and pledged to work on market access, shoring up its trade ties with Europe amid the increasing danger of a tariff war with the United States." Chinese Premier Li Keqiang indicated to French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe "that Beijing was planning to buy more planes this year and was ready for further talks with France on obtaining Airbus aircraft." Paris and Airbus have been working to "salvage" a deal with China after French President Emmanuel Macron "returned from Beijing empty-handed in January." Li announced in a joint press conference that despite the blunders, "we are still willing to strengthen cooperation with France's Airbus." In contrast, China has "warned that Boeing could become a casualty if the world's two largest economies fail to halt their slide toward a trade war." Li's remarks appeared to "strengthen the chance of more business for Airbus," although no deal was signed on Monday.

### **Dedrone Wins First Place In SOCOM Rapid Prototyping Event.**

Aviation Week (6/25, Matthews) reports that counter-UAV system developer Dedrone won first place in the third of three "ThunderDrone" rapid prototyping events (RPE) held in collaboration with US Special Operations Command.

### **UK Minister: Airbus Brexit Warning "Completely Inappropriate."**

Reuters (6/24, MacAskill) reported that British government and business leaders "clashed in a deepening row over Brexit on Sunday" as a senior government minister accused companies including Airbus of undermining the country's prime minister. Airbus issued its "strongest warning" to date last week on the "impact of Britain's departure from the European Union," arguing that a "withdrawal without a deal would force it to reconsider its long-term position and put thousands of British jobs at risk." According to British Health Minister Jeremy Hunt, "It was completely inappropriate" for businesses make such threats because the British government is engaged in ongoing discussions with European negotiators.

The Guardian (UK) (6/25, Stewart) reports that British Business Secretary Greg Clark "hit back against anti-business comments by his cabinet colleagues," arguing that companies such as Airbus are "entitled to be listened to with respect" on Brexit. Clark highlighted the "importance of the aerospace sector to the UK economy," calling it "one of the UK's greatest manufacturing strengths."

## **SPACE**

### **Airbus, Planet Announce Joint Satellite Imagery Collaboration.**

Space News (6/25, Henry, Subscription Publication) reports that Planet and Airbus Defense and Space's geospatial division will co-develop imagery products that leverage both companies' satellites under a new partnership that combines the lower resolution but daily global coverage of Planet's cubesat constellation with Airbus' fleet of high-resolution satellites that have more limited coverage." The article briefly mentions that Planet has won at least two contracts from the NGA. According to Planet CEO Will Marshall, the agreement helps to "enable new kinds of applications and services that weren't possible alone." According to Airbus Defence and Space's Intelligence Business Director Francois Lombard, Airbus' Pleiades satellites can capture images at 50-centimeter resolution. Through the German TerraSAR-X and TanDEM-X satellites and Spain's Paz satellite, Airbus is also able to offer synthetic aperture radar for imaging through clouds and at night." By cross-selling products, the partnership hopes to attract new business for "Planet in Europe and Airbus in the United States."

### **Viasat Leases Hylas-4 Satellite Capacity From Avanti.**

Space News (6/25, Henry, Subscription Publication) reports that Viasat acquired a "quarter of the steerable capacity on Avanti's newest satellite," Hylas-4, on Monday, providing "fresh Ka-band resources the company can use anywhere from the Americas across the Atlantic to the Middle East." Viasat purchased a two-year lease for \$10 million to "support international government applications, according to Ken Peterman, president of Viasat's Government Systems division." Hylas-4 was built by Orbital ATK.

### **Japan's Hayabusa2 Approaches Ryugu Asteroid, Captures New Images.**

The New York Times (6/25, Corum, Subscription Publication) reports that Japan's Hayabusa2 spacecraft is "approaching the asteroid Ryugu and should arrive this week." An image shown in the article was taken "early Sunday from about 25 miles away." Ryugu is thought to contain "water ice and other materials from the early solar system." The mission's plans call for Hayabusa2 to "study Ryugu in detail, drop a small probe and three mini-rovers, touch its surface and return a sample of the asteroid to Earth in 2020."

### **Techshot Space Contractor Recognized By Vice President Pence.**

The AP (6/25) reports that Techshot, a space company from a "small town in southern Indiana," has been "recognized by Mike Pence, the state's former governor and current US vice president." Pence addressed a room of innovators June 18 "during the third meeting of the National Space Council in Washington," and introduced Techshot CEO John Vellinger to the attendees. According to Techshot Vice President of Corporate Advancement Rich Boling, "It was great to get recognition just for this path that we've been pursuing a long time." A Techshot 3D bioprinter is expected to launch to the ISS "next year, with the goal of manufacturing human tissue." Techshot anticipates that the machine may "one day produce food and pharmaceuticals to help in deep space exploration."

### **Victoria Promotes Aerospace Manufacturing In Space Agency Pitch.**

The Australian Associated Press (6/25) reports that the Australian state of Victoria is promoting its "high tech manufacturing sector" as the state promotes itself as the site for the new Australian space agency. Victoria's Industry Minister Ben Carroll will meet with federal Innovation Minister Michaelia Cash on Tuesday on hosting the space agency's headquarters. Some of the "world's biggest names in aerospace" – including The Boeing Company,

Lockheed Martin, BAE Systems, and Thales – already have research, development, and manufacturing facilities in Victoria. According to Carroll, “Victoria has the proven expertise in design and manufacturing, it makes sense for us to be a key player in the new agency.” However, while Victoria and other states “are competing to host the new agency, job ads have put it squarely in Canberra.” The agency is slated to begin operations July 1, and a permanent site for the agency is expected to be determined within the next six months.

## MANUFACTURING

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### **Textron To Cease Production Of “Iconic” Cessna Citation X Plus.**

The Wichita (KS) Eagle (6/25, Siebenmark) reports that Textron Aviation plans to end production of its “iconic Cessna Citation X Plus, which for two decades was the Wichita plane manufacturer’s biggest and fastest business jet.” The company “confirmed the decision in a statement to the Eagle on Monday morning, adding that it eliminates some crossover with Textron Aviation’s newest jet that’s awaiting type certification.” According to a Textron Aviation statement, despite the Citation X’s “storied heritage,” with the “upcoming entry into service of the Citation Longitude, we are taking the opportunity to minimize overlap within this customer segment” and discontinue production. A Textron Aviation spokesperson added in an email that employees will not be affected by the move. Textron delivered 337 Cessna Citation jets in the first quarter of the year. The Citation X is equipped with Rolls-Royce engines.

## STEM EDUCATION

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### **Congress To Consider Several Education Issues This Week.**

Politico Morning Education (6/25, Hefling) reports that Congress will hear testimony on “a revamp of the federal career and technical education program, a Trump administration proposal to merge the Education and Labor departments and Education Department funding” this week. Moreover, “multiple school safety-related events are scheduled in Washington and outside the Beltway. On top of that, the Supreme Court could rule as early as today on a closely watched case that challenges the fees that public employee unions collect from nonmembers to cover collective bargaining costs.”

## MONDAY'S LEAD STORIES

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- **Leesburg Executive Airport In Second Phase Of Testing Remote Air Traffic Control Tower.**
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- **Aegean Airlines Signs \$5.8 Billion Deal For 42 Airbus A320neos.**
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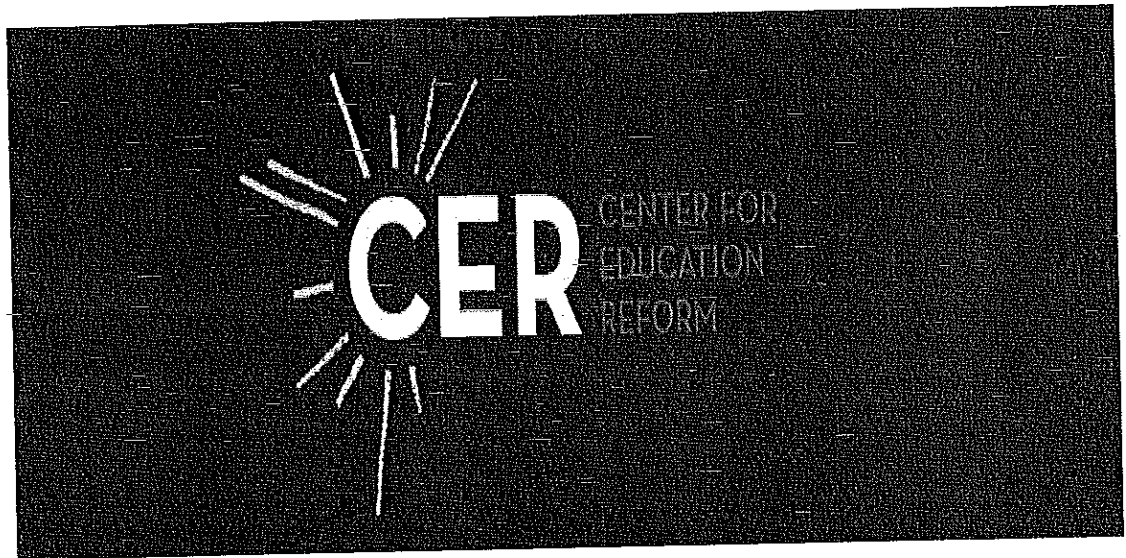
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**AND THE HITS JUST KEEP ON COMIN'.** As the unions anxiously await the Supreme Court's decision on *Janus*, the lawsuits keep piling up in lower courts around the country, this time in the U.S. District Court in Camden, NJ where a South Jersey teacher who doesn't want anything to do with the state's largest teachers' union has filed suit saying she shouldn't be forced to "subsidize" the New Jersey Education Association and its activities, arguing that her constitutional rights are being violated by forcing her to pay 'representation fees' as a condition of her employment as a public school teacher "even though Ms. Smith refused to join the teachers' union and does not wish to subsidize the union's activities."

**Question.: HOW DO YOU REINVIGORATE THE ECONOMY IN RURAL AMERICA?** *Answer: EDUCATION.* When we improve schools, we improve communities. And while multiple-efforts exist across the U.S., rural education has been left out of many modern reforms and innovations. CER's been working on this question for a while now, and have settled on one county on the coastal plain of North Carolina to develop our pilot rural education initiative. Earlier this month, we brought together some of our friends in philanthropy, business, policy and EdTech at UNC to talk about the blue sky of what is possible in Robeson County if we break down the silos between K12, higher ed and career and all work together to leverage our unique talents. The result? A shared vision and a broad plan for implementation.

**AND WHILE WE'RE ON THE SUBJECT OF EDUCATION IN RURAL AMERICA...** "Schools closed. Forever. What happens to a rural town after it loses its only school?" is a somber NY Times feature on the plight of rural schools and points to the desperate need for solutions to this growing national problem.

**OPPORTUNITY ABOUNDS.** Florida Governor Rick Scott paid a recent visit to Puerto Rico (his seventh since Hurricane Maria) and told Puerto Rico Governor Ricardo Rosselló the island has "an unbelievable opportunity to change the island for the better." At the top of Rosselló's opportunity agenda: education reform — adding charter schools, better leadership and a school voucher program. And with plans for a modernized energy grid and rebuilt infrastructure you can add innovations in education to the plan.

**WHAT DO STUDENTS WANT?** According to an annual survey by the Washington-D.C.-based College Savings Foundation the majority of high school students who will be entering college over the next three years would like to see more colleges promote education and skills training rather than only offering majors for future employment: 81 percent would like to see colleges offer skills instead of majors; 70 percent would prefer to go to that school; and

63 percent said their career plans were affecting their school choice. According to the foundation for the past four years, the number of students embracing skills-based education has been growing. This year, 36 percent have their sights set on attending a technical school; 28 percent are headed to community college; and 8 percent will attend a vocational school. "Looking at our survey from 2015 to 2018, the number of students planning on going to community college has increased 9 percent," D said the foundation's chair.

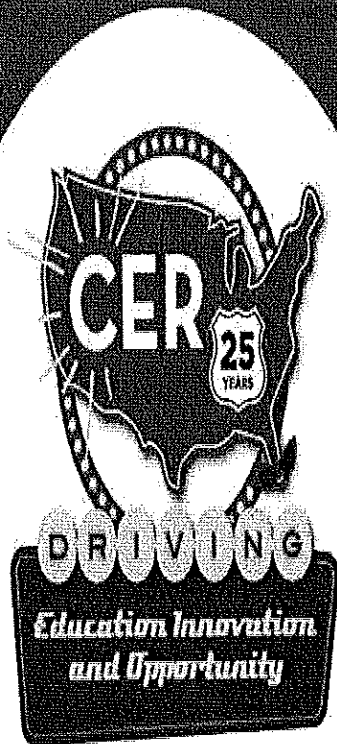
**A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN.** An informative and well-reasoned argument in favor of the president's proposed merger of the Departments of Education and Labor by the founder and director Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, Anthony Carnevale.

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**REALITY CHECK W/JEANNE ALLEN.** Many passionate ed reformers and teachers in general come to the profession from other walks of life or different training but Beth Anderson but has been a teacher since 1991 (beginning her career as a Teach for America instructor teaching bilingual kindergartners in LA). Today, she is CEO of the successful and continually innovative Phoenix Charter Academy Network of schools that challenges students with rigorous academics and relentless support. Listen in!

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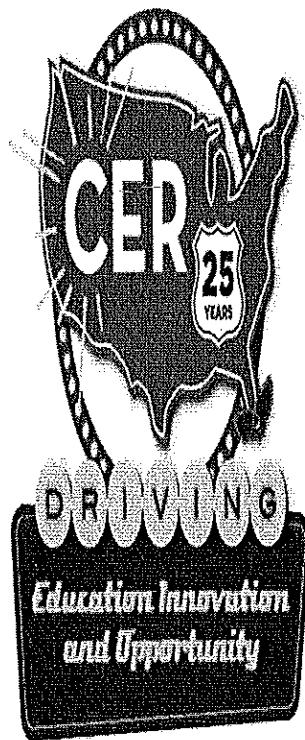
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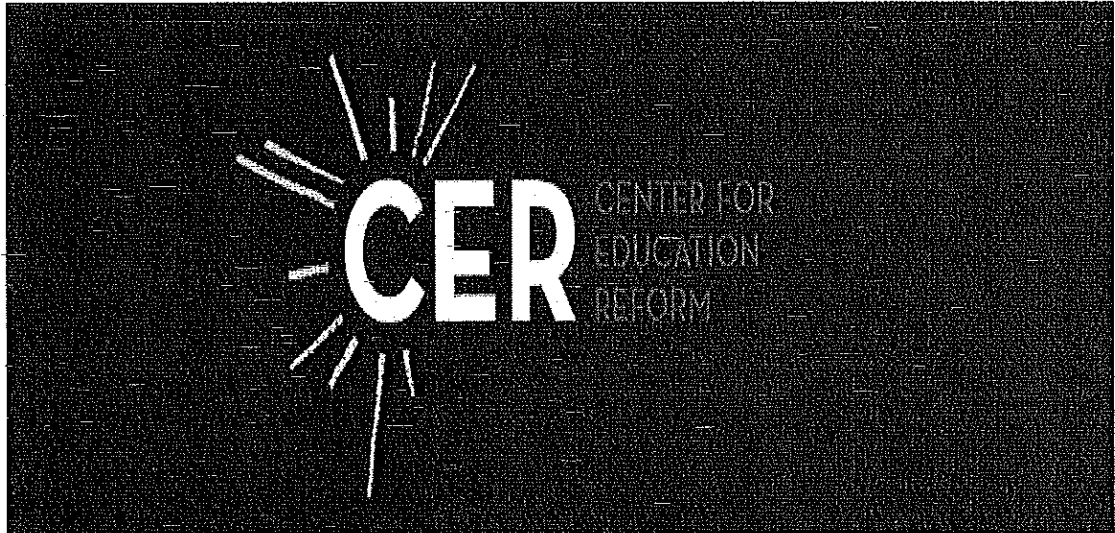
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## U.S. Supreme Court Rules in favor of Mark Janus in *Janus v. AFSCME*

### **Statement by Jeanne Allen, Founder & CEO**

It's a great day in Washington, DC! The high court's decision strikes a blow for the freedom guaranteed to individuals under the constitution. No citizen of the United States can be compelled to support speech that he or she does not believe in or endorse, and by upholding that constitutional protection, the court has affirmed a critical principle of freedom.

This is good news for the nation, for thousands of educators who have long been exploited by the teachers unions, and for families whose educational opportunities have been compromised by their political activity. When it comes to education, the most fundamental of all policies that shape our futures, no longer can the union compel people to support activities and positions regardless of principle.

In affirming the position of Mark Janus, the United States Supreme Court finally ends the decades-long assault on worker freedom. While unions, particularly the teachers' unions, have and will continue to decry the ruling, they would do well to look beyond the revenue-generating dollars-and-cents loss that it will entail and see the opportunity that it presents – the opportunity to secure support for their work based not on coercion, but on voluntary support from those who truly believe in the ideas, actions and pronouncements of any association to which they now may truly choose to belong.

Education in America is in the midst of a major transformation, which is struggling to realize its full potential in the face of limiting contractual and oppositional forces. From apathy to lack of knowledge to deliberate impediments created by unions, these obstacles have kept education from advancing into 21st century.

The unions now have a chance to join the movement, and embrace the cause of improving education for parents seeking new opportunities for their children, and for children in need of opportunities for innovative individualized learning options, or they get out of the way entirely. While hope springs eternal, we doubt, sadly, that wither will occur. Thankfully, however, teachers will now be able to exercise their own power in impacting the needs of children and families in the education process and policies supporting it.

Kudos to the Court, to Mark Janus, to Rebecca Friedrichs who began the journey before him, and to all who are engaged in the fight for liberty and justice.

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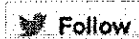
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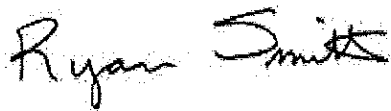
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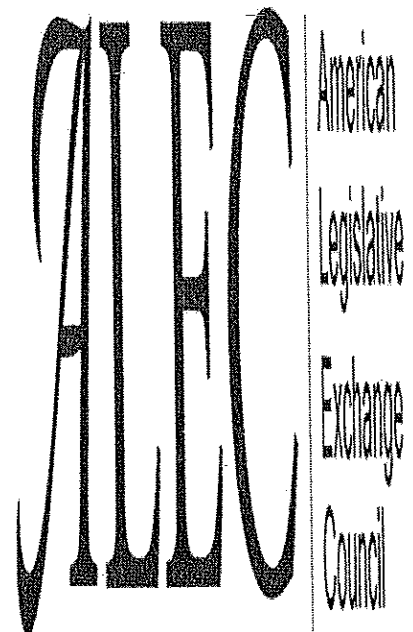
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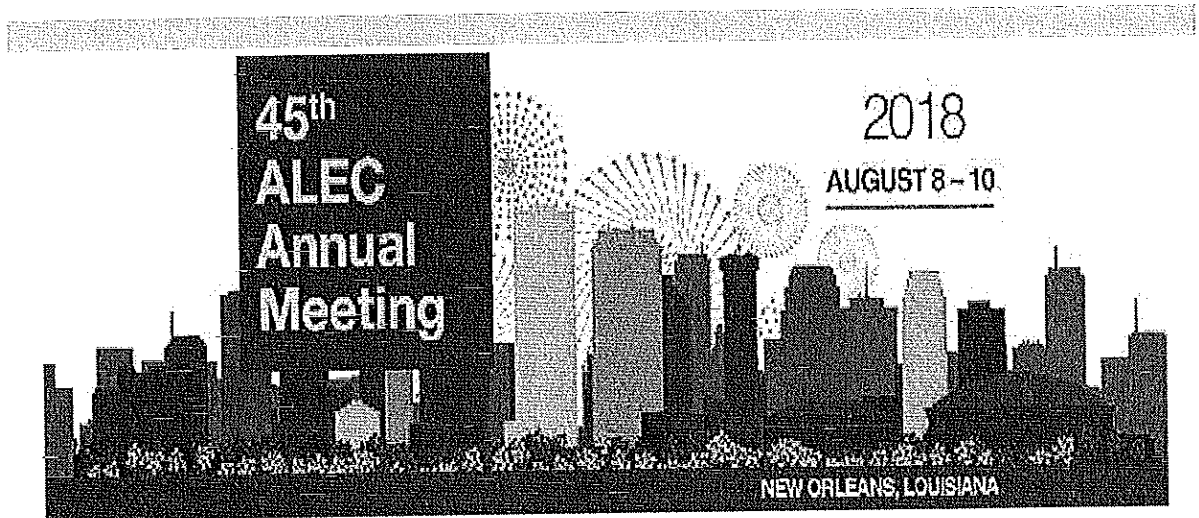
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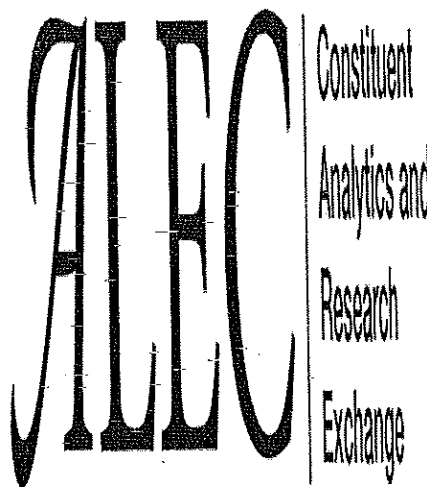
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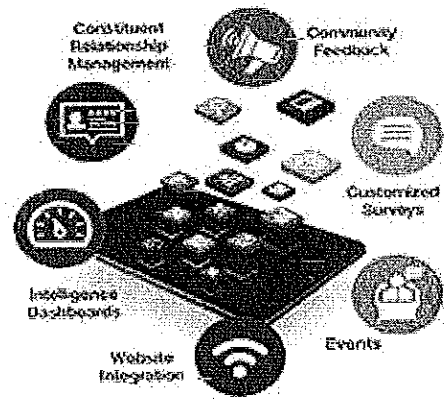
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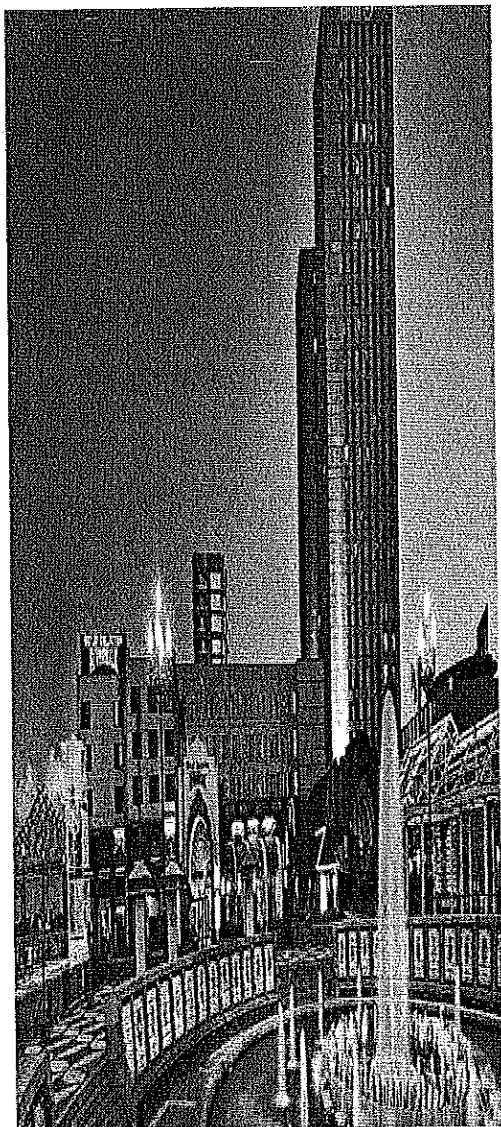
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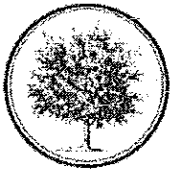
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"The Supreme Court today in *Janus v. AFSCME* announced its basic rule of human decency and common sense: consent matters-and our hardworking public-sector workers can no longer be forced to pay for political speech or other activities without their affirmative consent."

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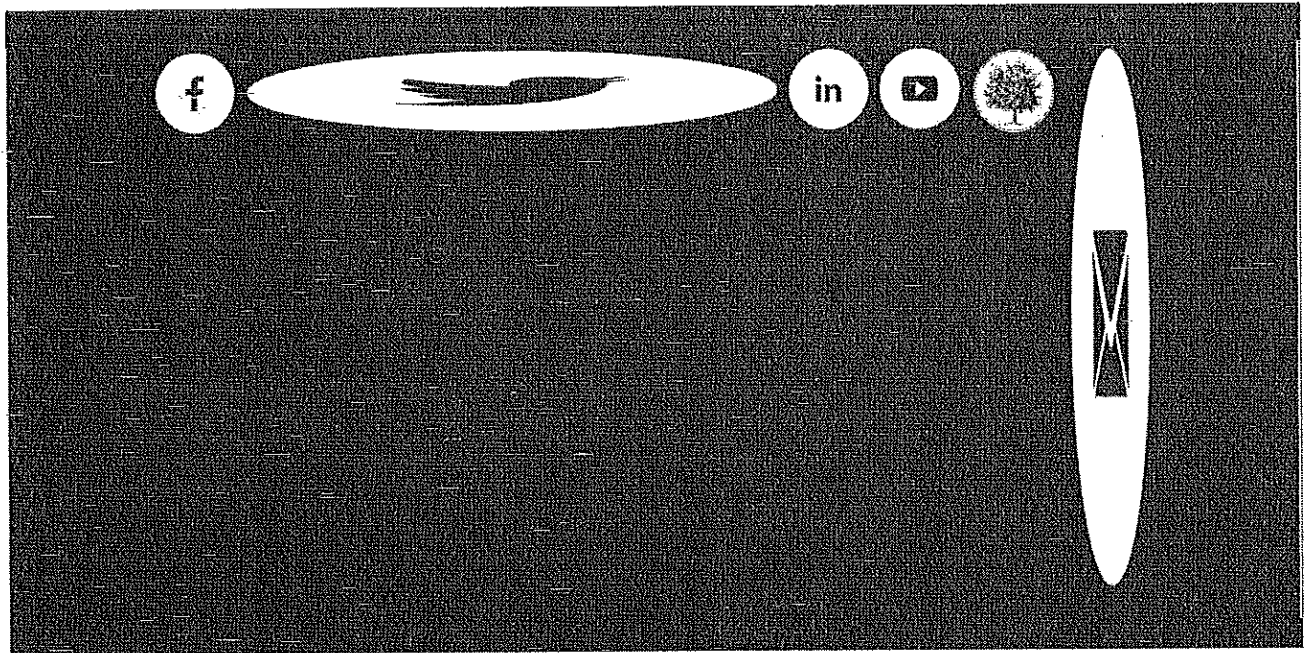
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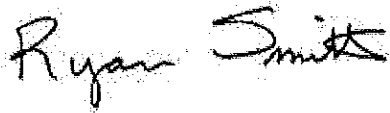
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### Feature

#### **When Partisan Passion Raged, Kennedy Was The Vote To Get**

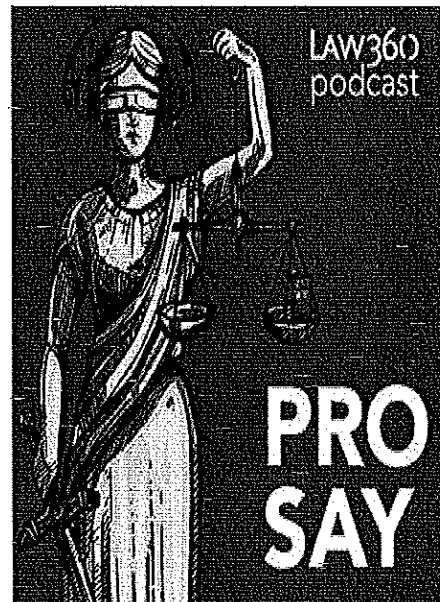
Throughout his three-decade run on the U.S. Supreme Court, Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy leveraged his precious swing vote to forge robust legacies in free speech, LGBT rights and capital punishment, clerks and court watchers told Law360 after the justice announced his retirement Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

#### **Justice Kennedy's Retirement To Upset High Court Balance**

Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy, 81, the U.S. Supreme Court's most senior member, is stepping down from the bench, the court announced Wednesday. His retirement will hand President Donald Trump the chance to replace a crucial swing vote and shift the ideological balance of the court to the right. [Read more »](#)

#### **GOP Kicks Off Race To Confirm Kennedy Replacement**

Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement announcement Wednesday echoed like a starting gun in the Senate, setting off a sprint from Senate Republicans who said they



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plan on having his replacement confirmed before the fall elections. [Read more »](#)

#### Analysis

### **Life After Kennedy: 1 Big Question, 6 Judges To Watch**

President Donald Trump made it clear Wednesday that the world already knows the name of the person he is going to nominate to replace retiring Associate Justice Anthony M. Kennedy. The question is, which name will it be? [Read more »](#)

#### Analysis

### **From Iqbal To Citizens United: Kennedy's Biggest Decisions**

In his three decades on the high court, Justice Anthony Kennedy authored opinions that changed the rules for federal civil litigation, opened the floodgates for corporations and unions to fund campaign advertisements, and reshaped the legal landscape for women and same-sex couples. [Read more »](#)

### **'Goodbye, Tony!' Justices Bid Farewell To Kennedy**

As U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy prepares to step down after three decades on the bench, his colleagues stepped forward to share stories about the man they know as "Tony," describing a thoughtful coworker who built enduring friendships and made a lasting mark on the legal landscape. [Read more »](#)

#### TOP NEWS

### **Justices Rule Against Unions In Public Worker Fees Fight**

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday held that public-sector workers who aren't union members can't be forced to pay "agency fees" that cover the cost of collective bargaining, overturning 41-year-old precedent that found those fees constitutional and dealing a financial blow to organized labor. [Read more »](#)

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Jones Day  
Kellogg Hansen  
Kilpatrick Townsend  
Kirkland & Ellis  
Latham & Watkins  
Milbank Tweed  
Morris Manning  
Morrison & Foerster  
O'Melveny & Myers  
Patterson Belknap  
Paul Weiss  
Pierce Atwood  
Quinn Emanuel  
Riley Safer  
Skadden  
Strasburger & Price  
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#### COMPANIES

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Alliance Defending Freedom  
Amazon.com Inc.  
American Arbitration Association  
American Bar Association  
American Civil Liberties Union

## **Supreme Court Backs Fla. In Water Fight With Ga.**

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday rejected a special master's report that denied Florida's request to cap Georgia's water usage from a Southeastern river basin, ruling that Florida had sufficiently shown that a remedy is possible and sending the case back to the special master [Read more »](#)

## **EPA Moves Toward Limiting CWA Permit Veto Powers**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced on Wednesday that Administrator Scott Pruitt wants to do away with the agency's power to veto at any time permits allowing waste from mining and infrastructure projects to be dumped into waters of the United States, including wetlands. [Read more »](#)

## **Full 7th Circ. Pauses Nationwide Ruling In Sanctuary Row**

The full Seventh Circuit on Tuesday paused the nationwide impact of a lower court's order temporarily barring the Trump administration from withholding public safety funds from so-called sanctuary cities, limiting the order to the city of Chicago. [Read more »](#)

## **Judges' Back Pay Win Affirmed By Calif. Appeals Court**

A California judge was acting within his authority when he ordered the Golden State's government to make \$36 million worth of back wage and pension payments to a class of current and former judges, a state appeals court ruled Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

## **BANKING & SECURITIES**

### **SEC Seeks Comment On Cboe Rule Change For Bitcoin ETF**

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is seeking public comment on a proposed rule change by Cboe BZX Exchange Inc. to list an exchange-traded fund physically

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Educational Fund  
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Lyft Inc.  
McDonald's Corporation  
Microsoft Corporation  
National Right to Work Legal  
Defense Foundation  
Natural Resources Defense  
Council  
Netflix Inc.  
Northern Dynasty Minerals Ltd.  
Planned Parenthood Federation  
Public Company Accounting  
Oversight Board  
Public Knowledge  
Sompo International Holdings Ltd.  
Southern Poverty Law Center

backed by bitcoin that would cost about \$200,000 per share, according to a notice Tuesday. Read more »

## ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

### **NRDC, States Fight EPA Rollback Of Hydrofluorocarbons Rule**

The Natural Resources Defense Council and a coalition of attorneys general and state agencies launched D.C. Circuit challenges on Tuesday to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's rollback of Obama-era limits on hydrofluorocarbons, which are used in products like spray cans, air conditioners and refrigerators. Read more »

## HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

### **GAO Says It Lacks Info To Finish Probe Into Zinke's Calls**

The U.S. Government Accountability Office on Wednesday said it cannot determine whether allegedly threatening phone calls U.S. Department of the Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke made to Alaska senators over a health care bill flouted an anti-lobbying rule because the department has refused to give it information about the substance of the calls. Read more »

## CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY

### **Cybersecurity On The Hill: ZTE, Bots And The OPM Breach**

Cybersecurity issues were the focus of legislators from both sides of the aisle this week: President Trump was urged to reinstate the sanctions against ZTE Corp., a bill regulating social media bots was introduced in the Senate, and a congressman sought more information on the U.S. Office of Personnel Management breach. Read more »

### **Calif. Internet Privacy Bill Heads To Vote As Cos. Back Off**

T-Mobile USA Inc.  
TechFreedom  
Texas RioGrande Legal Aid Inc.  
Twitter Inc.  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
Verizon Communications Inc.  
Washington Post Co.  
ZTE Corp.  
Zillow Inc.  
eBay Inc.

## GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

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Executive Office of the President  
Federal Communications Commission  
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.  
Federal Election Commission  
Federal Reserve System  
Federal Trade Commission  
Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
Government Accountability Office  
Internal Revenue Service  
International Trade Commission  
NATO  
National Railroad Passenger Corporation  
New York Attorney General's Office  
Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

California lawmakers are barreling toward a Thursday vote on proposed internet privacy legislation that would head off a sweeping ballot initiative to give consumers more insight into and control over how companies are collecting and sharing their personal data, a move that a major internet industry group has decided not to block. [Read more »](#)

## MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

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### **Rutgers Doc Escapes Med Mal Suit Over Absent Claim Notice**

The New Jersey Appellate Division ruled Wednesday that a woman cannot revive her medical malpractice action against a doctor working for Rutgers University, because she did not file a tort claim notice after the physician "unequivocally disclosed" that he was a state employee entitled to such notification. [Read more »](#)

## AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

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### **US State Dept. Official Threatens Turkey With F-35 Cutoff**

A U.S. Department of State official warned that if Turkey goes ahead with the planned purchase of a missile defense system from Russia, Turkey will risk losing access to U.S.-made military technology, including the F-35 fighter jet. [Read more »](#)

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE

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### **Steel Users Aim To Wipe Out Security-Based Tariffs**

A coalition of steel users filed a sweeping legal challenge to the Trump administration's 25 percent steel tariff at the U.S. Court of International Trade on Wednesday, arguing that the Cold War-era national security law used to implement the levy is unconstitutional. [Read more »](#)

Pennsylvania Department of  
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Human Services  
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U.S. Department of State  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Environmental Protection  
Agency  
U.S. House of Representatives  
U.S. Immigration and Customs  
Enforcement  
U.S. Office of Personnel  
Management  
U.S. Supreme Court  
U.S. Tax Court

## **GOP Sens. Stymied In Attempt At Trump Tariff Rollbacks**

A pair of Republican senators launched an ultimately failed attempt Wednesday to have the Senate vote on a measure that would place restrictions on President Donald Trump's ability to impose national security tariffs, arguing that he has gone too far in placing duties on American allies. [Read more »](#)

## **TAX**

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### **Sen. Plans To Ask IRS Nominee About Pass-Through Break**

During the Senate Finance Committee's confirmation hearing Thursday for the potential future commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, at least one senator will focus his questions on the new federal tax law's pass-through provision. [Read more »](#)

## **IMMIGRATION**

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### **Advocates File FOIA Suit Over Family Separation Information**

Immigrant advocates filed a suit against the Trump administration Wednesday in Washington, D.C., federal court seeking to compel the government to respond to its Freedom of Information Act requests for information regarding family separation policies, guidance and data. [Read more »](#)

### **Trump Tweet Not Enough To Save GOP Immigration Bill**

An all-caps supportive tweet by President Donald Trump on Wednesday was not enough to save immigration legislation pushed by Republicans that would have provided a path to citizenship for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program participants, amended immigration regulations and funded the border wall sought by the president. [Read more »](#)

## **NATIVE AMERICAN**

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## **Gov't Vow To Separated Parents Enough For Now, Judge Says**

A Trump administration promise to put three undocumented immigrants separated from their children at the border in touch with case managers was enough Wednesday for a D.C. federal judge not to immediately order the government to provide the parents details on the children's welfare and an expected date of reunification. [Read more »](#)

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

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### **Senate Committee Passes Geoffrey Starks' FCC Nomination**

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation on Wednesday sent the nomination of current Federal Communications Commission official Geoffrey Starks to serve as an FCC commissioner to the Senate floor for consideration. [Read more »](#)

### **FCC Tosses News Distortion Claim In CBS Merger Dispute**

The Federal Communications Commission rejected a challenge to Entercom Communications Corp.'s \$1.6 billion merger with CBS Radio Inc. on Tuesday from a pair of petitioners who alleged CBS' television stations engaged in "intentional news distortion" that called into question the company's "basic character qualifications" to hold an FCC license. [Read more »](#)

### **Sprint-T-Mobile Merger Will Multiply 5G Supply, Senate Told**

Sprint and T-Mobile's top brass defended the benefits of their proposed merger before a Senate subcommittee on Wednesday, arguing that the companies' combination would not present anti-competitive challenges because together they will create more fifth-generation technology market share for everyone. [Read more »](#)

### **Alaska Gov. Won't Take Executive Action On Net Neutrality**

Alaska's governor told state lawmakers last week that he won't take executive action to implement net neutrality rules after the Federal Communications Commission's repeal took affect earlier this month, saying instead he'd work with private companies like Microsoft to overcome the rural state's internet infrastructure challenges. [Read more »](#)

### **FEC Considers New Rules For Online Political Ad Disclosure**

The Federal Elections Commission on Wednesday began two days of hearings on proposed changes to rules governing political ads on the internet, as the commission looks to improve transparency and clear up questions about disclosure requirements for the ads. [Read more »](#)

## **EXPERT ANALYSIS**

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### **Series**

#### **From Lawmaker To Lawyer: How Congress Affected My Career**

Being a former member of Congress put me in an advantageous position when I approached law firms in the late '70s, at a time when there were few female lawyers, and even fewer African-American lawyers, in major law firms, says former Rep. Yvonne B. Burke, D-Calif., a director of Amtrak. [Read more »](#)

#### **How Cakeshop Gives Religious Objectors Legal Ammunition**

The U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in *Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission* has been framed as much ado about nothing. But how the Supreme Court reached its result hands religious objectors a huge win in the form of potent ammunition for future legal fights, says Jesse Ryan Loffler of Cozen O'Connor. [Read more »](#)

## **SEC Administrative Proceedings After Lucia**

Because of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Lucia*, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission will have to redo a series of administrative cases, potentially straining resources and possibly prompting the agency to tap new administrative law judges, says Daniel Walfish of Walfish & Fissell LLP. [Read more »](#)

## **Civil Forfeiture Abuse Is A Challenge To Civil Rights**

Last month, Rustem Kazazi filed a lawsuit in federal court against U.S. Customs and Border Protection for seizing \$58,000 from him at an airport without charging him with a single criminal offense. The seize-first, investigate-later civil forfeiture regime now prevailing in the United States recalls the British crown's abusive tactics that helped spark the Revolutionary War, says Alexander Klein of Barket Epstein & Kearon LLP. [Read more »](#)

## **Are OCC's Reserve-Based Lending Guidelines Enforceable?**

Following the Government Accountability Office's determination that the Interagency Guidance on Leveraged Lending did not comply with the Congressional Review Act, it would appear that the binding nature of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's handbook for oil and gas reserve-based loans should be similarly questioned, says Buddy Clark of Haynes and Boone LLP. [Read more »](#)

## **Limiting Law Firms' Professional Liability Risks: Part 1**

Corporate law departments are increasingly demanding more concessions from outside legal counsel, and presenting engagement letters that open the door to greater professional and cyber liability exposure for law firms — often beyond the scope of their insurance coverage. Firms must add their own language to engagement letters to limit liability,

say Stuart Pattison and John Muller of Sompco International Holdings Ltd [Read more »](#)

## LEGAL INDUSTRY

### **MoFo Hops On Associate Raise Train**

Morrison & Foerster LLP joined the growing roster of law firms that have raised associate salaries and sweetened their paychecks with summer bonuses, according to an internal memo made public on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

### **This BigLaw Firm Retakes Title Of Best To Work For**

One firm was named the best law firm to work for after dominating Vault.com's quality of life rankings, the website said Wednesday, retaking the top spot after stepping down the podium to No. 3 last year. [Read more »](#)

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# WASHINGTON

By Eli Yokley

## Top Stories

- Republicans are ramping up the pressure on red-state Democrats up for re-election this year, daring them to oppose President Donald Trump's eventual nominee to replace Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy when he retires in July. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) said yesterday that the Senate will confirm Kennedy's successor this fall. ([The New York Times](#))
- Christopher Wray, the Federal Bureau of Investigation director, and Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein are set to testify before the House Judiciary Committee today about by the Department of Justice's inspector general report that allies of President Donald Trump claim proves bias in the bureau's Russia investigation. Their visit comes after Peter Strzok, a senior FBI agent who wrote text messages criticizing Trump during the 2016

campaign, was questioned in a closed-door session Wednesday.  
(Los Angeles Times)

- Trump campaigned last night in Fargo, N.D., where he urged voters to fire Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (D), who he's praised in the past, in November. In his remarks, Trump criticized House Democratic Caucus Chairman Joe Crowley, who lost his primary in New York Tuesday night and said he was happy House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and California Rep. Maxine Waters would remain the faces of the Democratic Party heading into the midterms. (The Associated Press)

## **Chart Review**

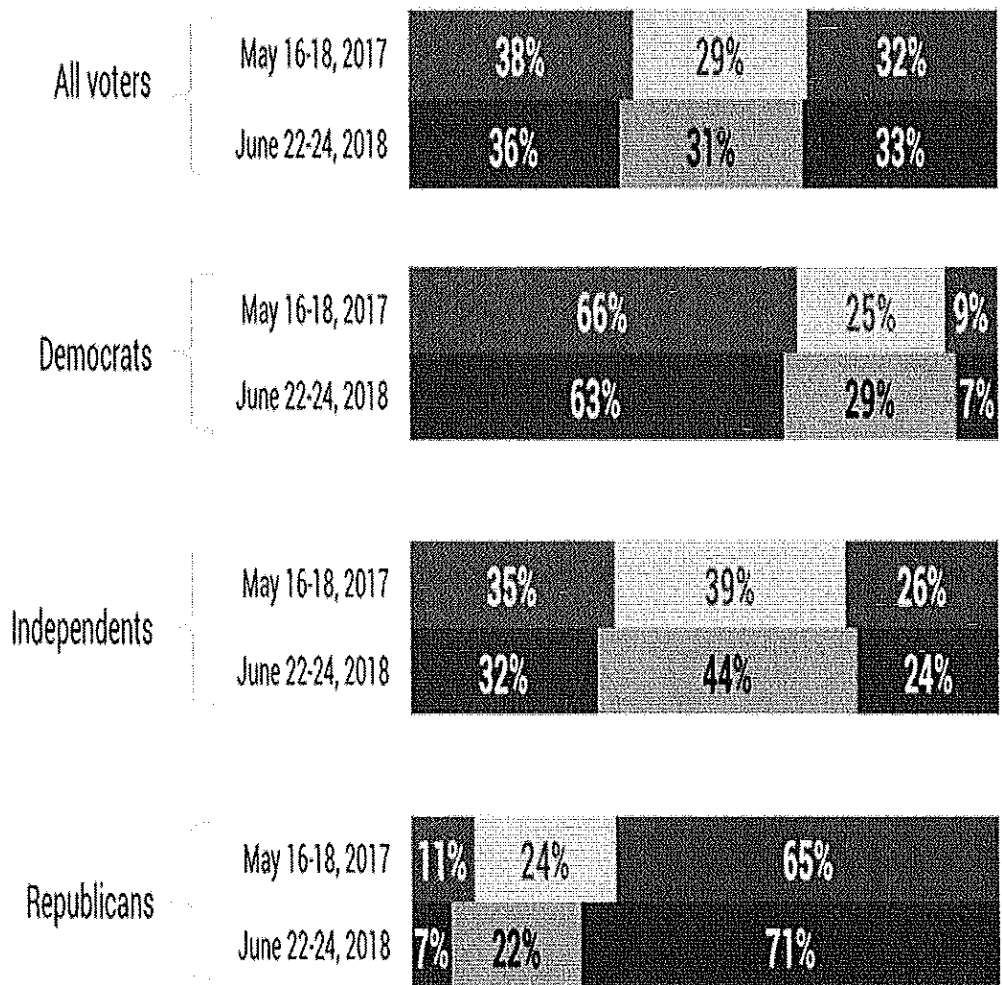
**Republicans More Likely Than Before to Trust Trump Over Political Media**

**Morning Consult**

# Trump or the Media? Voters' Trust Still Depends on Their Party

Who do you trust more to tell the truth?

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## Events Calendar (All Times Local)

### THURSDAY

<u>George Mason University the Federalist Society host National Security Symposium</u>	9:30 a.m.
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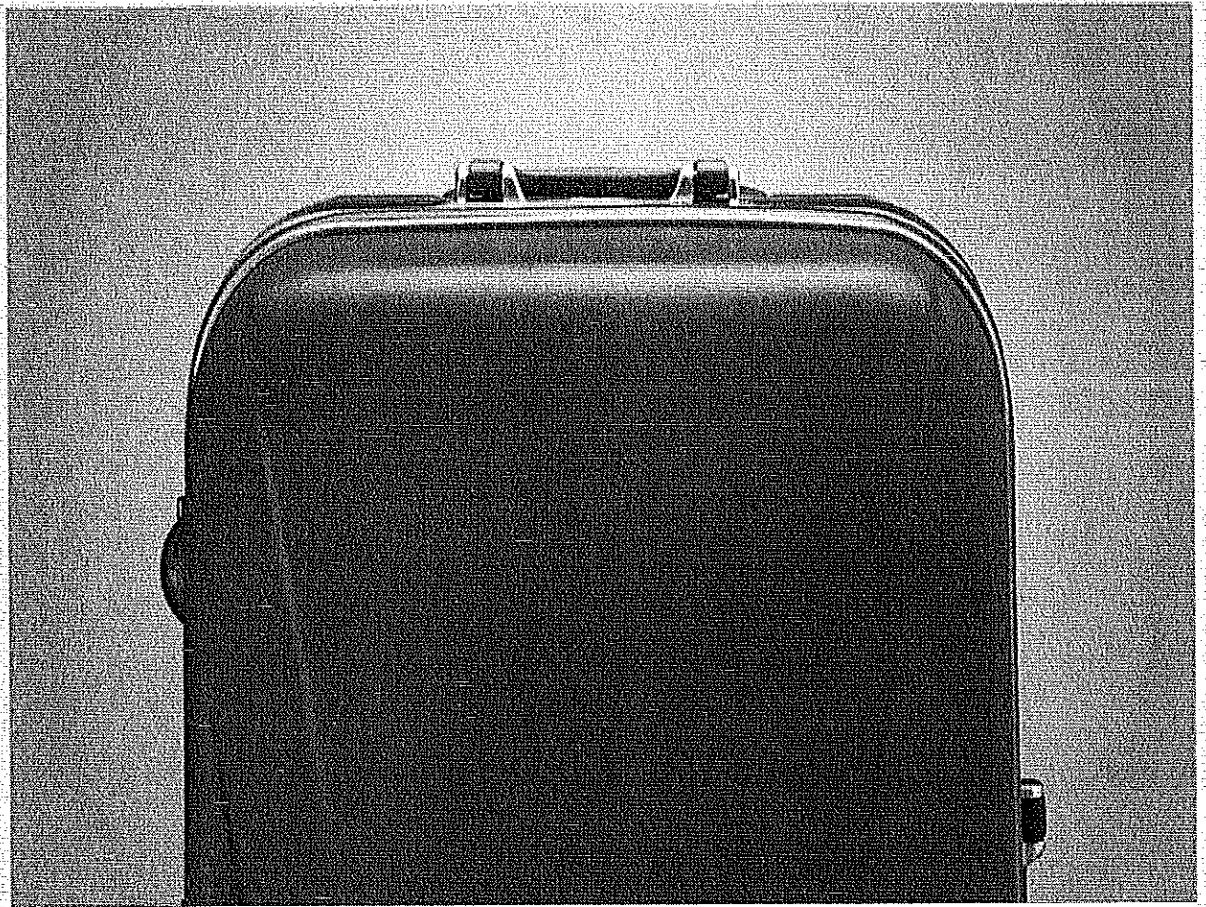
<u>DAG Rosenstein, FBI Director Wray testify at House Judiciary Committee</u>	9:30 a.m.
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<u>Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on judicial nominations</u>	10 a.m.
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### FRIDAY

No events scheduled





## **Report: The State of American Travel 2018**

Consumer insights on vacationing, transportation, and accommodation. This report features brand tracking data on airlines, hotels, and more.

**General**

**Manafort had \$10 million loan from Russian oligarch: court filing**

**Nathan Layne, Reuters**

A search warrant application unsealed on Wednesday revealed closer links than previously known between President Donald Trump's former campaign manager Paul Manafort and a Russian oligarch with close ties to the Kremlin. In an affidavit attached to the July 2017 application, an FBI agent said he had reviewed tax returns for a company controlled by Manafort and his wife that showed a \$10 million loan from a Russian lender identified as Oleg Deripaska.

**Watchdog closes Zinke threat probe, citing lack of cooperation from Interior**

**Anthony Adragna, Politico**

The GAO said today it couldn't issue an opinion on whether Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke violated the law by reportedly threatening an Alaskan senator in a phone call because the agency didn't cooperate in its probe. Interior acknowledged Zinke phoned Senate Energy Chairwoman Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) and Sen. Dan Sullivan (R-Alaska) one day after Murkowski voted against the GOP's legislation to repeal the Affordable Care Act.

**Obama expected to hit the campaign trail for Democrats with help from Pelosi and Schumer**

**Brian Schwartz, CNBC**

Former President Barack Obama has been laying low when it comes to taking on President Donald Trump and the Republican Party. That's not going to last much longer.

**As U.S. hardens its borders, Canada debates whether to do the same or stand up to Trump**

**Vera Haller, Los Angeles Times**

Gbolahan Banjo says his bisexuality led to ostracism and beatings in his native Nigeria, where same-sex relationships are forbidden. So in early

June, he made his way to a deserted road in upstate New York and walked across the border and into Canada.

### **Xi Warns Mattis China Won't Surrender 'One Inch' of Territory** **Bloomberg**

President Xi Jinping told U.S. Defense Secretary James Mattis he wouldn't give up any territory that China considered its own, an unusually blunt warning as security disputes simmer below a fight over trade. Xi made his remarks while meeting Mattis on Wednesday in Beijing, the first such visit by a U.S. defense chief in more than four years.

### **Congress snubs White House, won't fund new prison for geriatric inmates at Guantánamo** **Carol Rosenberg, McClatchy DC**

In a setback to President Donald Trump's promise to make Guantánamo a permanent detention center, Congress has refused to pay for construction of a new \$69 million prison for the alleged 9/11 plotters and other former CIA captives. Commanders at the prison twice in recent weeks campaigned for the new building in sessions with visiting U.S. journalists.

### **A Spymaster Steps Out of the Shadows** **Mattathias Schwartz, The New York Times**

On June 4, John Brennan, the former C.I.A. director, made the long drive from suburban Virginia to New Jersey. He had plans to dine with his brother and an old high school friend.

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## **Presidential**

### **Trump dubs Heitkamp a 'liberal Democrat,' urges her defeat** **Darlene Superville, The Associated Press**

President Donald Trump urged voters Wednesday to fire "liberal Democrat" Sen. Heidi Heitkamp in November, claiming that she promised to be an independent mind but instead has voted in lockstep with her party leadership and against his agenda. Trump called instead for the election of Republican U.S. Rep. Kevin Cramer, one of his staunchest allies in Congress.

**Federal officials launch two reviews into Trump's handling of migrant children**

**Dan Diamond, Politico**

The GAO and the Health and Human Services inspector general both launched reviews Wednesday into the Trump administration's handling of thousands of migrant children separated from their families at the border. The GAO told Rep. Frank Pallone (N.J.) that it will audit the systems and processes used to track families as they were separated, including how the HHS Office of Refugee Resettlement monitored each minor in its care, according to a letter obtained by POLITICO.

**Donald Trump, Vladimir Putin Expect to Hold July Summit**

**Peter Nicholas et al., The Wall Street Journal**

President Donald Trump said Wednesday he will "most likely" meet with his Russian counterpart, Vladimir Putin, in a summit next month in Europe. The president is scheduled to attend a North Atlantic Treaty Organization summit next month in Brussels and is also planning to visit the U.K.

**As Summit Nears, NATO Allies Have One Main Worry: Trump**

**Steven Erlanger, The New York Times**

NATO has been preparing for its July summit meeting for a year now, but there is one wild card: President Trump. Nobody knows which president will show up - the truculent one railing about inadequate military

spending by the allies or the boastful one taking credit for recent spending increases.

## **Senate**

### **Kennedy Retirement Injects an Inflammatory New Issue Into Midterms**

**Jonathan Martin et al., The New York Times**

Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy's announcement on Wednesday that he would retire this summer immediately thrust the high court to the center of the battle for control of the Senate, with Republicans daring red-state Democrats to oppose the nominee to replace Justice Kennedy, and Democrats warning that a rush to seat a new justice before the election would further galvanize moderate and liberal voters. With the Republican majority already on a 51-49 knife's edge, senators and strategists from both parties said the clash over the balance of the Supreme Court would immediately overwhelm a campaign that to date had largely revolved around President Trump's conduct and issues surrounding the economy, immigration and health care.

### **Senators Quickly Pivot to SCOTUS Confirmation Mode** **Jason Dick and John T. Bennett, Roll Call**

Senate Republican leaders on Wednesday quickly laid out the game plan for confirming a replacement for retiring Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, wasting no time in stating they intended to confirm a new justice before the fall elections and flatly claiming there was literally nothing Democrats could do to delay that. "The Senate stands ready to fulfill its constitutional role by offering advice and consent on President Trump's nominee to fill this vacancy. We will vote to confirm Justice Kennedy's successor this fall," Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said on the floor just minutes after the news of Kennedy's retirement broke.

**Senate farm bill stalled by Rubio's Cuba crusade**  
**Liz Crampton and Catherine Boudreau, Politico**

Senate leadership's goal of holding a floor vote on the farm bill this week is now in doubt, as key farm-state lawmakers work to resolve a new demand from Sen. Marco Rubio over a provision that would promote agricultural trade with Cuba. The Florida Republican on Wednesday declared on Twitter that he'd block any new amendments to the farm bill unless the Senate votes to strike a provision that would allow USDA funding for foreign market development programs to be spent in Cuba - or until senators adopt his proposal to ban U.S. taxpayer dollars from being spent on businesses owned by the Cuban military.

**VA Nominee Faces Questions on Role in Jesse Helms Races**  
**Ben Kesling, The Wall Street Journal**

President Donald Trump's nominee to head the Department of Veterans Affairs has been preparing for his Senate confirmation hearing Wednesday by meeting with lawmakers in recent weeks to explain his views and his 30-year career in government as well as fielding questions about any role he has played in racially-charged politics. Robert Wilkie, a lawyer and Air Force Reserve officer currently serving as a Pentagon undersecretary in the latest of his decades of government and defense contracting posts, differs from many of the Washington outsiders usually preferred by Mr. Trump.

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## **House**

**Rosenstein and FBI chief will testify today in the House on alleged FBI bias in Russia probe**  
**Chris Megerian, Los Angeles Times**

As President Trump continues to rage against the Russia investigation clouding his administration, House Republicans are calling in top law enforcement officials for questioning and are escalating their demands for sensitive documents about the case. Deputy Atty. Gen. Rod

Rosenstein and FBI Director Christopher Wray, both of whom were appointed by Trump, are scheduled to testify Thursday before the House Judiciary Committee about a recent Justice Department inspector general report that White House allies claim proves bias among FBI investigators in the Russia probe.

**Embattled FBI agent meets with Congress behind closed doors in 11-hour marathon**

**Jeremy Herb et al., CNN**

Embattled FBI agent Peter Strzok told lawmakers Wednesday in a marathon, closed-door interview that the anti-Trump text messages he exchanged with an FBI lawyer were part of an "intimate" conversation and he did not intend to act on any of the missives, according to Democrats in the meeting. But Republicans argued that Strzok's claims about the messages after the fact were simply not credible, and one lawmaker claimed to have learned new information from his interview Tuesday with the House Oversight and Judiciary Committees.

**Pelosi's path to speakership gets even harder**

**Heather Caygle and John Bresnahan, Politico**

Rep. Joe Crowley's stunning loss on Tuesday night to a first-time candidate makes this crystal clear: Nancy Pelosi's path back to the speaker's chair is getting more narrow by the day. But it may not ease the route for the leaders directly below her either.

**'Defining moment.' Activists say it's time for leadership change in the Democratic Party**

**Alex Roarty, McClatchy DC**

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez is young, Latina, and boldly progressive - in other words, everything the Democratic Party's leadership is not. The party's activists are ready for that to change.

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## **States**

### **Potentially expanding his executive power, Gov. Greg Abbott orders agency heads to run proposed rules by him first** **Emma Platoff, The Texas Tribune**

In a move that could expand the powers of his office, Gov. Greg Abbott has told Texas state agencies to submit proposed new rules to him before they are made available for public comment. Citing the "success of regulatory review at the federal level," Abbott's office wrote in a June 22 letter obtained by The Texas Tribune that his staff would review policies before they're published in the Texas Register, much as presidents do at the national level.

### **New York Attorney General Probes T-Mobile-Sprint Deal's Impact on Prepaid Services** **Sarah Krouse and Corinne Ramey, The Wall Street Journal**

The New York attorney general's office is investigating how T-Mobile US Inc.'s \$26 billion deal to buy Sprint Corp. could impact competition in the pay-as-you-go wireless market, according to people familiar with the matter. Representatives from the state attorney general's office have contacted companies that sell prepaid phone services in recent weeks with questions about pricing and customers, the people said.

### **Judge again orders Trump voter fraud commission to give documents to Maine's secretary of state** **Eric Russell, Portland Press Herald**

A federal judge has for the second time ordered the Trump administration to turn over documents to Maine Secretary of State Matthew Dunlap related to his participation on a presidential commission on voting integrity. The order, issued Wednesday by U.S. District Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly in Washington, D.C., rejects the commission's contention that Dunlap is no longer entitled to any documents now that the commission is dissolved.



**As they voted in Democratic primary, many Marylanders appeared inclined to back Hogan this fall.**  
**Steve Thompson and Fenit Nirappil, The Washington Post**

Dwight Hunter is tired of hearing about President Trump. Doesn't want to think about him. And like most Democrats, wishes his presidency were already over.

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## **Advocacy**

**Inside Facebook and Twitter's secret meetings with Trump aides and conservative leaders who say tech is biased**  
**Tony Romm, The Washington Post**

Twitter and Facebook are scrambling to assuage conservative leaders who have sounded alarms - and sought to rile voters - with accusations that the country's tech giants are censoring right-leaning posts, tweets and news. From secret dinners with conservative media elite to private meetings with the Republican National Committee, the new outreach reflects tech giants' delicate task: satisfying a party in power while defending online platforms against attacks that threaten to undermine the public's trust in the Web.

**Koch Network Plans To Spend Millions Backing Trump's Court Pick**  
**Kevin Robillard, HuffPost**

The powerful Koch network of conservative megadonors plans to spend seven figures backing President Donald Trump's Supreme Court pick if he nominates a candidate similar to Justice Neil Gorsuch to replace the retiring Anthony Kennedy, a network official said Wednesday. "Faced with a vacancy on the highest court, we encourage President Trump to build on that success by nominating a Supreme Court Justice in the spirit of Justice Neil Gorsuch - a nominee who will respect the rule of law, interpret the Constitution as written, and not seek to advance a political

agenda," said Sarah Field, the vice president for judicial strategy at conservative advocacy group Americans for Prosperity.

## **Opinions, Editorials and Perspectives**

### **With Kennedy Gone, Justice Must Be Won at the Ballot Box** **The Editorial Board, The New York Times**

If the last few days hadn't been dispiriting enough for those who believed the Supreme Court could still stand for reproductive freedom, equal rights for all Americans, a check on presidential power, a more humane criminal justice system and so much more, Wednesday afternoon brought the coup de grâce. Everyone knew it was coming sooner than later, but Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement, which he announced in a letter released hours after the court had issued its final rulings of the term, is still crushing.

### **Kennedy's retirement opens a void at the court's center** **Editorial Board, The Washington Post**

Justice Anthony M. Kennedy's 30-year career on the Supreme Court was a historical accident. President Ronald Reagan's first choice to replace retiring Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. in 1987 was Judge Robert H. Bork, a cerebral but overly doctrinaire conservative; his nomination failed by a 58-to-42 vote in the Senate.

### **The Supreme Court's Banner Year** **The Editorial Board, The Wall Street Journal**

The Supreme Court concluded a blockbuster term on Wednesday with a landmark ruling upholding the First Amendment rights of public workers. Justice Neil Gorsuch's first term on the Court and Anthony Kennedy's last turned out to be a banner year for constitutional liberties. The Court saved its most anticipated decision for last as a 5-4 majority in *Janus v. Afsfme* overturned the Court's flawed 1977 *Abood* decision that

allowed states to require workers who don't belong to a union to pay "agency fees" to support collective bargaining.

**Analysis: Where Do We Go From Here?**  
**Stuart Rothenberg, Roll Call**

On Monday evening, Judy Woodruff asked me and USA Today's Susan Page on the "PBS NewsHour" how the country moves forward from its current state of division. I didn't have a good answer.

## **Research Reports and Polling**

**Sixty-Two Percent View Planned Parenthood Favorably**  
**Jim Norman, Gallup**

Sixty-two percent of Americans hold a favorable opinion of Planned Parenthood, the powerful pro-choice group whose high-profile role in the abortion debate has thrust it into the news once again this month. President Donald Trump and Republican congressional leaders are attempting to cut off federal funding for the organization because of its role as a major provider of abortions across the nation.

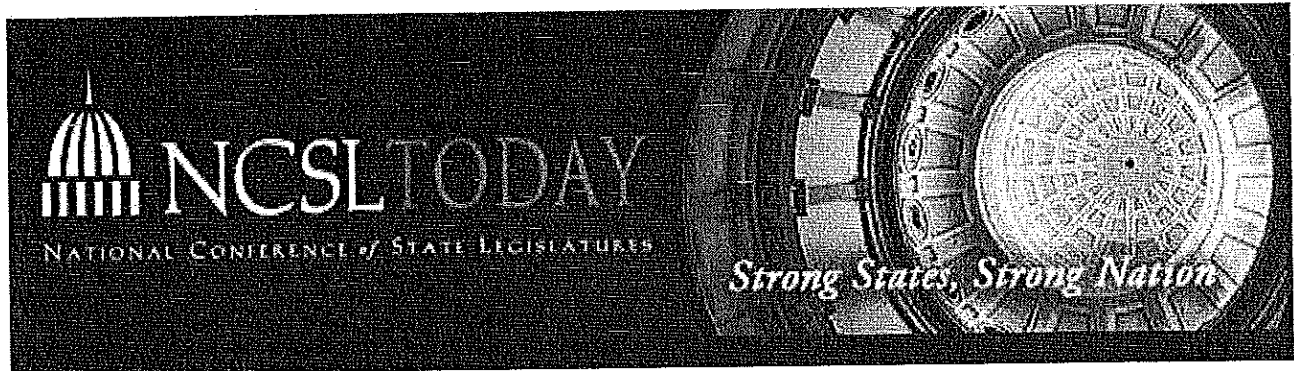


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## TOP NEWS June 28, 2018

### States cracking down on streaming video while driving

*USA TODAY*

Georgia isn't the only state to single out streaming as a new danger. A Washington state law, the Driving Under the Influence of Electronics Act, in January was the first to specifically mention video on phones. It even makes it illegal for Washington drivers to sneak a peek at their smartphone when stopped in traffic or at a stoplight, though they can touch a mounted or in-dash screen.

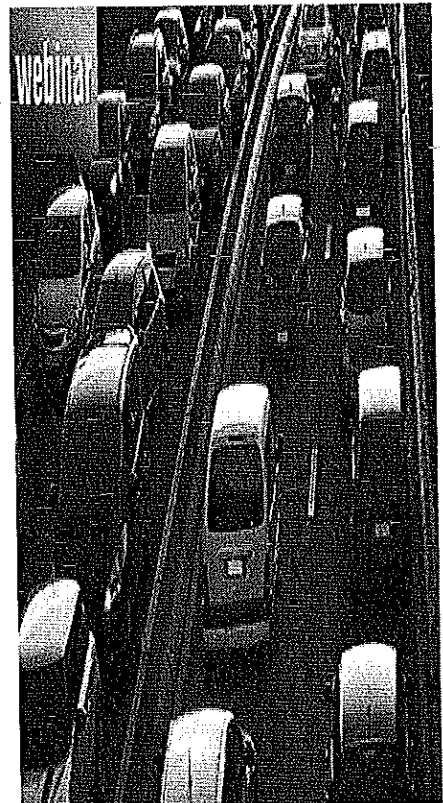
**NCSL's Annie Kitch quoted.**

[NCSL resources on distracted driving.](#)

### 'Now comes the interesting part' with online sales tax collections

*Route Fifty*

The court ruling in *South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc.* has



also left complicated questions in its wake. Like what the specifics of new state policies could look like, whether Congress will take action, and how companies that sell goods online will react. **NCSL's Max Behlke** quoted.

## **Maine legislature passes sweeping medical marijuana reform bill**

*Portland Press Herald*

The bill, which now goes to Gov. Paul LePage, would let caregivers expand their business operations. For example, they could hire more than one worker, and sell up to 30 percent of their harvest to other caregivers and dispensaries.

[NCSL resources on medical marijuana.](#)

## **Ohio legislature passes blockchain legislation**

*Cleveland.com*

Ohio is close to becoming the latest state to offer legal support for blockchain-based business transactions, following a Wednesday vote by the state's General Assembly.

[NCSL LegisBrief on blockchain technology.](#)

## **South Carolina lawmakers OK rate cuts for failed nuclear plants**

*Associated Press*

South Carolina lawmakers have approved a temporary rate cut of nearly 15 percent for customers of a private utility who paid billions for two nuclear reactors that never produced power.

## **Webinar 3 p.m. ET TODAY Federal infrastructure funding - an update while we wait**

One of the most talked-about possibilities for federal action in 2018 is a new infrastructure bill that aims to inject what nearly all experts agree is a significant boost of funds for many of our national infrastructure systems.



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## **2017 state tax actions**

## **Hear from thought leaders at NCSL's Legislative Summit July 30-Aug. 2**

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## **Supreme Court deals blow to unions in Janus case**

The U.S. Supreme Court held 5-4 in *Janus v. AFSCME* that state statutes allowing public sector employers and unions to agree that employees who don't join the union must still pay their

## Commercial spaceports still waiting for liftoff

*Stateline*

Communities are eager to tap into the growing commercial space industry.

"fair share" of collective bargaining costs violate the First Amendment.



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